FBIS DAILY REPORT
CONTENTS

Soviet Union

Vol III No 037 Supp 002 25 February 1981

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 26TH CPSU CONGRESS

VOLUME II

Second Day of Congress Proceedings Reported 1

TASS Reviews Session 1

TASS Sums Up Day 10

Kunayev Address 10

TASS on Kunayev 12

Romanov Address 13

TASS on Romanov 14

Solomentsev Address 15

Kiselev Address 17

Rashidov Address 18

Castro Address [Havana] 19

Le Duan Speech [VNA] 21

Shakirov Address 23

Kania Speech [Warsaw] 24

Moscow on Kania 27

TASS Reports Kania 28

Honecker Address [East Berlin] 29

Aliyev Speech 32

Further on Aliyev 33

Grishkyavichus Speech 34

More on Grishkyavichus 35

Shevardnadze Speech 36

More on Shevardnadze 37

Husak Address [Praque] 37

Kadar Speech [Budapest] 40

Moscow on Kadar 42

Zhivkov Speech [Sofia] 42

French Party's Plissonnier 44

Ceausescu Address [Bucharest] 45

Radio Commentator Speech 48

Shcherbitskiy on Communist Unity at Opening Session 49

SECOND DAY OF CONGRESS PROCEEDINGS REPORTED

TASS Reviews Session

LD241552 Moscow TASS in English 1020 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb, TASS--The 26th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union is continuing in session in the Kremlin. The delegates to the congress are discussing the "Report of the Central Committee of the CPSU to the 26th Congress of the Party and the Immediate Tasks of the Party in the Field of Home and Foreign Policy," which was delivered yesterday by General Secretary of the CPSU Central Committee Leonid Brezhnev as well as the report of the Central Auditing Commission of the CPSU.

[Moscow Domestic Service in Russian at 0800 GMT on 24 February carries an 8-minute report on the 24 February morning session of the CPSU Congress. The report states that delegates and guests at the congress "greeted with tumultuous and prolonged applause" the appearance on the podium of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, members and candidate members of the CPSU Central Committee Politburo and secretaries of the CPSU Central Committee.

[The report notes that Konstantin Chernenko, member of the Politburo and secretary of the CPSU Central Committee, is chairman of the morning session.]

The first to speak at the morning session today was member of the Politbureau of the CPSU Central Committee, First Secretary of the Communist Party of Kazakhstan Central Committee Dinmakhamed Kunayev.

There have been considerable transformations in Kazakhstan's economy, science and culture, he said. The republic's national income has grown, and its production potential has been renewed. The fixed assets have shown an increase. New branches of industry have been created. "Kazakhstan has considerably excelled the plan targets as regards separate, most important indices," the speaker stressed.

Great progress has been made in agriculture. Agricultural output has grown 14 per cent. Dinmukhamed Kunayev told the congress with satisfaction that the targets for the production and purchases of grain have been overfulfilled. More than 80 million tons of grain have been supplied to the state.

The republic's economy is faced with new and even more complex tasks in the field of industry, capital construction and agriculture. One of the main issues is the problem of water supply of the republic. To ensure a stable development of the economy in the future, the speaker proposed that preparatory work be completed for diverting a part of the discharge of Siberian rivers to Kazakhstan and Central Asia, and measures be envisaged to stabilise the level of the Arab Sea.

"The report of the Central Committee, which is a solid blending of Marxist-Leninist theory with practical experience of building communism, is a powerful source of energy and optimism for all of us," said member of the Politbureau of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Leningrad Regional Party Committee Grigoriy Romanov.

"In conditions when detente is put to a serious test, the Soviet Union will not be sidetracked from a course for an improvement of the situation. It consistently exposes the aggressive designs of the imperialist circles and their Beijing accomplices, resolutely comes out for ending the arms race," Grigoriy Romanov went on to say. He stressed that the fresh peace initiatives, which have been put forward by Leonid Brezhnev, are permeated with humanism and nobleness.

Grigoriy Romanov touched upon the achievements of the working people of Leningrad and the Leningrad Region in the past five-year plan period, and said that over that period the volume of industrial output had grown almost 23 per cent, chiefly through an increase in labour productivity. Touching upon the achievements in the social field in Leningrad and the Leningrad Region, Grigoriy Romaniv pointed out that over the past period more than one million Leningraders had moved into new apartments.

The target of the five-year plan for the construction of child-care institutions has been fulfilled by almost two hundred per cent.

The Soviet working class is permeated with a profound faith in the ideals of communism, supporting the wise course of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, said Vasily Naumkin, senior metallurgist from the Magnitogorsk steel complex in the Urals. No attempts by the anti-Sovieteers, who recently have been stepping up the campaign of lies and calumny against the Soviet Union, will discredit the great achievements of the Soviet Union or shake the monolithic unity of party and people.

Vasiliy Naumkin emphasised the great solicitude of the party and government for improving working and living conditions, for raising the living standards of Soviet people. The Magnitogorsk complex, he said, is building many homes and one-third of the workers get each year free package holidays for medical treatment or rest.

The spiritual world of the Soviet workers is broad and many-faceted, his thirst for knowledge, culture and art is great, Vasiliy Naumkin said. One out of six workers of the complex has a higher or specialised secondary education.

"The theses and conclusions of Leonid Brezhnev's report opened up broad prospects for the further unity of all progressive forces of our time in the struggle for peace, national and social advance," said from the rostrum of the congress Mikhail Solomentsev, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee and chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Russian Federation. "Now, when the militaristic circles of some countries seek to step up the arms race, are reviving the 'cold war' spirit and intensifying rude slanderous attacks on our country and its friends, the Soviet Union is still more emphatically coming out in favour of the maintenance of detente and safeguarding the sacred right of everyone--the right to peace, the right to life." Mikhail Solomentsev emphasised that "the working class, the peasantry, the intellectuals the Russian Federation, at one with all the Soviet people, are unanimously approving of the party's external and domestic policy. They associate the achievements of the l of soviets and the consolidation of its international positions with the tireless and many-faceted activity of the Central Committee of the party, its Political Bureau and Leonid Brezhnev."

Like all previous speakers, Solomentsev proposed fully and entirely to approve of the political course and practical activity of the CPSU Central Committee.

Speaking of the development of the Russian Federation Mikhail Solomentsev pointed out that all branches of the republic's economy were developing dynamically and steadily. The gross national income increased 29 percent as compared with the Ninth Five-Year Plan period (1971-1975) and gross industrial production went up 31 percent. For the first time ever, agriculture in the Russian Federation produced 570 million tons of grain in the past five years or 55 million tons more than in 1971-1975. 700 big industrial enterprises were put into operation, including many giants unmatched anywhere in the world.

Per capita real incomes increased markedly, Mikhail Solomentsev went on to say. In the last five years almost one-third of the population of the republic improved their housing conditions.

Having expressed support for the home and foreign policy of the party and the Soviet Government on behalf of the communists of Belorussia, Tikhon Kiselev, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, the first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Belorussia, said: "Concrete concern for a concrete person, his needs and requirements is the starting point and ultimate end of the party's economic policy. This idea underlies the socio-economic development plans which are being carried out for the eleventh five-year period and for the 1980's in general. It constitutes the pivot of the CPSU Central Committee's draft guidelines which have been prepared for the party's 26th congress and which have been endorsed by the entire people."

"The party's plans are peaceful ones," Tikhon Kiselev went on to say. "It does everything to create favourable foreign-policy conditions for their realisation. Like in the whole of the country, the price of war is well known in the land of Belorussia where, as Leonid Brezhnev graphically put it, the bells of Katyn sound as a tragic warning. Our people also know at what price peace is ensured."

"And however hard imperialism tries to heighten tension and to step up terror against the democratic, revolutionary forces, it will not be able to arrest the peoples' striving for peace, social and national emancipation. This is guaranteed by the growing might of the socialist community and the increasing influence of the ideas of Marxism-Leninism on people's minds and hearts," Tikhon Kiselev stated. "Life convincingly shows that the slightest departure from the spirit and principles of this only correct, the most progressive, teaching inevitably causes damage to the communist and working class movement, to the building of socialism and to the fundamental interests of the working people."

"The Communist Party of the Soviet Union is strong by its boundless devotion to the teaching and cause of the great Lenin. Everything that our people are rightfully proud of has been achieved due to the fact that it bases its policy and practical activities on the firm foundation of the revolutionary theory and is invariably guided by it."

"In common with all Soviet people, the working people of Uzbekistan are firmly confident that the implementation of the decisions of the 26th party congress will ensure a further development of our country's productive forces, will further enhance the USSR's prestige in the international arena," said alternate member of the CPSU Central Committee, First Secretary of the Communist Party of Uzbekistan Sharaf Rashidov. He pointed out that the most important theoretical generalisations and conclusions made in Leonid Brezhnev's report are of enormous significance for the historical destiny of the entire mankind."

"The republic has successfully attained the basic socio-economic targets of the five-year plan period. The power engineering and the mechanical engineering industries, ferrous metallurgy, the chemical, gas and other industries, which are of decisive significance for scientific-technical progress, are developing at a high rate", said Sharaf Rashidov.

Cotton-growing is known to be the leading branch of Uzbekistan's agriculture, he went on to say. We are glad to report to the party that the republic has lived up to the pledge made by it at the 25th Congress of the CPSU. Last year a record quantity of cotton--six million 237 thousand tons--were sold.

"It gives us special satisfaction to note that a good moral and political atmosphere has been created in the party and in the country. It is an atmosphere of mutual trust and mutual respect, well-wishing to people and at the same time irreconcilability to shortcomings, an atmosphere of principled insistence on high standards," Rashidov pointed out. "This remarkable Leninist tradition infuses us with confidence in work, ensures conditions for creative work, for a successful resolution of the tasks involved in communist construction."

"These days mankind pays special attention to the 26th congress of the Soviet communists," Fidel Castro Ruz, the first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, president of the Council of State and the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cuba, said at the congress. "Decisions which will be taken by the congress will have a great effect on international life. In the situation when the danger of war arises again, and when the shadow of aggression and a threat of intervention is overhanging the peoples, the Soviet Union and its glorious Communist Party again come out as the world's hope."

The Yankee imperialists, Fidel Castro went on to say, are now trying to put the sign of equality between the national liberation movement, the peoples' struggle for social changes in the world, and terrorism. By such falsity and lies they finally discard the figleaf of defence of human rights and once again [in] all shamelessness act as world gendarmes.

In Latin America, the imperialists, threatening with an intervention, are nurturing aggressive designs, first of all against the patriots of El Salvador and Guatemala, Fidel Castro went on to say. At the same time they are unleashing a campaign of vile lies against the socialist and other progressive countries in an attempt to prove that the events in Central America are not the result of the peoples' just indignation over long oppression but allegedly a consequence of international conspiracies. At the same time the imperialists interfere with the revolutionary people of Nicaragua and are trying to intimidate them. Thereby they display their aim--to establish a regime of the toughest dominance over the entire hemisphere, Fidel Castro said.

"Imperialism conducts the same aggressive and menacing policy in southern Africa, in the Indian Ocean, in Southeast Asia and in the Middle East. In the heartland of Europe it is striving to tear off fraternal Poland from the socialist community and is openly provoking political destabilization of the country."

Cuba is determined to continue building new socialist society and is prepared to defend the motherland with the same determination, Fidel Castro said.

"We shall not reject an olive branch if it is extended to us," Fidel Castro said. "But at the same time, we shall not retreat if faced with an aggression. Principles are not something to trade in. In this battle for our sovereignty, in our constant efforts to ensure the development of socialist community we have always been receiving the fraternal internationalist assistance of the Soviet Union, of its people, its communists."

"The Soviet Union supports in every way the just cause of peoples waging the struggle for peace, national independence, democracy and socialism. The Soviet state remains now the invincible bulwark of peace," said the general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam Le Duan.

"Every victory of the Soviet Union along the road of communist construction is a source of pride and hope for freedom-loving peoples," he went on. "The Eleventh Five-Year Plan period which will, undoubtedly, bring the land of soviets to new, higher landmarks, will give a strong impetus to the communists and all fighters for peace and justice in the five continents."

"In utter contrast to the bright reality and glorious prospects of the revolutionary and progressive forces is a bleak picture in the camp of imperialism and the Beijing expansionism and hegemonists", the speaker stressed. "Striving to regain the lost positions, they are rallying ever closer with every day, are trying to launch counterattacks on the revolutionary forces."

"This is the main cause of the emergence of the seats of tensions in the Near and Middle East, in Southwest and Southeast Asia and in many other parts of the globe", Le Duan stated. "The imperialists and world reactionaries nurture plans of interfering in the domestic affairs of socialist Poland. These are, however, futile attempts".

"The natural trend of the historical process is the peoples' struggle for their liberation, for a new life", Le Duan pointed out. "Socialism is invincible in our times. The system of socialism is unshakable. No perfidious subterfuges and designs by the imperialists and their henchmen can reverse this trend."

The Vietnamese people is doing everything possible so that the country confidently follow the path of socialism, the speaker went on to say. The reactionary grouping in the ruling Beijing circles, however, regards the united Socialist Vietnam as obstacle in the way of implementing its expansionist and hegemonistic aims in Southeast Asia.

"To follow the Leninist course, unite and carry out all-round cooperation with the Soviet Union, such is the invariable path of our party and state," Le Duan stated in conclusion.

The first secretary of the Rostov Regional Committee of the CPSU, Ivan Bondarenko, told the congress about considerable socioeconomic achievements of the Rostov region in the past five years. The volume of capital construction in the region increased by 1.5 times. Despite harsh weather conditions, more than 14 million tons of grain were taken in. This is one million tons more than in the ninth five-year period.

Among the region's tasks of great economic importance, Ivan Bondarenko singled out the establishment of a large center of atomic power engineering in the city of Volgodonsk. Construction of the second stage of the Atommash plant is to be completed by 1983.

Pointing out that delegations of young national states and national-liberation movements have an impressive representation among the guests, the first secretary of the Bashkir Regional Party Committee Midkhat Shakirov said that this is obvious sign of the changes that have taken place on the political map of the world.

"Solidarity with the peoples fighting for freedom, independence and social progress is fully in keeping with the spiritual nature of the Soviet people," the speaker said. "Each people, naturally, has its own way to future and we, the Soviet communists, do not impose our views on anyone. Our internationalist assistance is disinterested. Its only aim is ridding the peoples of the heavy burden of the past, of poverty and backwardness, the speedy attainment of a better life."

"We shall continue rendering support to the peoples who are waging the struggle for their freedom. We are prompted to this by our revolutionary conscience, our communist convictions", Midkhat Shakirov said.

"We workers, are full-fledged masters of our country, participate actively in managing production, in deciding state and public affairs. The motherland, the party highly appreciate our work", said Valentina Golubeva, a weaver of the Ivanovo worsted complex. "It is a great happiness to live in a country where work is as honoured and respected as in the Soviet Union", she stressed. Valentina Golubeva told the congress that nearly 9.5 billion square meters of fabrics was produced in the Ivanovo region during the five-year plan period.

"Just as millions of other women who have children I strongly approve of the peaceful foreign policy course of our party," said the weaver from Ivanovo. "The lofty word 'peace' has been and remains the most treasured and beautiful word for the Soviet people."

"The Soviet Union, its might and international prestige, the material and spiritual potential of the Soviet people and the policy of peace are the source of mankind's hopes and its confidence in the future," said Stanislaw Kania, the first secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers Party. Polish-Soviet friendship and the Polish-Soviet alliance, he emphasised, will always be a basic principle of our foreign policy and an object of the party's special attention.

"The situation in Poland and around it is directly connected with the security of all socialist countries," the Polish leader went on to say. "The socialist community is indissoluble and its defence is not only the affair of each state but of the entire socialist coalition as well." He said further that the PUWP "has chosen the road of political solution to the social conflict, the road of restoration of society's trust in the people's power."

"We want to assure you, comrades, to assure all our friends that we have enough will and energies to secure that counter-revolution in Poland won't work," Stanislaw Kania stated. He pointed out that "Poland has been and will remain a socialist state, a true ally of the Soviet Union and an unbreakable element of the socialist community. It will be an active participant in the politico-defensive alliance named after heroic Warsaw and will be an active participant in all joint activities within the CMEA framework."

The first secretary of the PUWP Central Committee expressed confidence that "a programme which the congress is working out will result in new strides in the building of communism in the Soviet Union, in the strengthening of the socialist community and all forces that struggle for the freedom of the peoples and for peace throughout the world."

"The Soviet Union's successes are of great historical significance not only to the country of Lenin, but also to the entire socialist community, to our joint struggle for peace and progress", the general secretary of the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, chairman of the State Council of the German Democratic Republic, Erich Honecker, stated at the 26th CPSU Congress. "The Soviet Union comes out before the whole of mankind as a powerful bulwark of that struggle, as a guarantor of its victorious prospects."

"20 million sons and daughters of the heroic Soviet people perished in the Great Patriotic War for the victory over Hitlerite fascism, for liberation and peaceful future of the peoples. It is largely due to the CPSU, the Soviet Union that it became possible to break the fatal chain of world wars in the second half of the century and allow Europe to live in peace for more than 35 years".

[A Moscow TASS in English report of Honecker's speech, carried at 1554 GMT, adds the following passage at this point:

["Loyal to the immortal ideas of the Red October, the Soviet people makes the weightiest contribution to the deepening of fraternal cooperation of our community. Together with you, dear Soviet comrades and friends, we shall continue forging ahead, consolidating socialism, protecting it against any encroachments of enemies. Against the background of present day international development, of the ever-greater demands presented by the eighties, it becomes ever more obvious that the strength of the community of socialist states, an earnest of their successes is unity and cohesion on the basis of the proven principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

["The 26th Congress of the CPSU shows convincingly that the Soviet Union continues consistently its truly humane foreign policy which is based on the peace programme of the 24th and 25th CPSU Congresses. It will not be pushed off this road either by the course at confrontation that was taken by certain NATO circles, specifically, the USA, nor by the Beijing leaders, who, pursuing the great-power, chauvinistic and hegemonistic aims form a dangerous collusion with the most aggressive forces of monopoly capital."]

"The Soviet Union opposes the doctrine of war hysteria and frantic arms race with the program of consistent struggle for peace and security", Erich Honecker went on to say. "The communists, all citizens of the German Democratic Republic fully back the new important initiative advanced by Leonid Brezhnev at the 26th CPSU Congress".

"We are sure", Erich Honecker pointed out, "that in the conditions of the present international situation, which is being aggravated through the fault of imperialism, it will become possible to achieve new progress in the cause of ensuring peace. We are fully resolved to curb any attempts by the aggressive circles of imperialism directed at gaining military superiority over socialism and enhancing the threat of world nuclear war. The main thing is to stop the arms race and complement political detente by military detente on the basis of the principle of equality and equal security.

"The report of the Central Committee delivered at the congress by Leonid Brezhnev is a broad programme of communist construction in the Soviet Union in the 1980's," said the alternate member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Azerbaijan, Geydar Aliyev.

"The economic strategy of the party proved to be fully correct", he went on to say. "It ensured a steady growth of the national economy of the country, the improvement of the well-being of the working people, and the fulfillment of the tasks put forward by the 25th Congress of the CPSU. The main result of the work done is that peace has been preserved for the Soviet people to continue their constructive work, and for the whole of mankind."

Geydar Aliyev underlined the great international significance of the experience accumulated by Soviet national republics in their social and economic development. "Now, when the national liberation movement has developed mightily, when many peoples attained independence," Geydar Aliyev said, "this experience of overcoming age-long backwardness and developing a modern economy and culture over a brief historical period acquires great value for young nations, especially those which have chosen a path of socialist orientation." "Life itself has confirmed the correctness of the political course pursued by the CPSU, a course which ensured the country's advance along all lines of economic and social progress", said the first secretary of the Gorkiy Regional Committee of the CPSU, Yuriy Khristoradnov. The delegation of the Gorkiy party organisation representing a quarter of a million communists fully approves the political line and practical activities of the Central Committee, all provisions and conclusions of Leonid Brezhnev's report and the proposals concerning necessary changes in the programme of the party.

The expansion of economic and scientific-technical cooperation with CEMA countries, the building of a number of projects on a compensation basis has a positive effect on the development of the economy of the region, the speaker went on to say. For their part, the enterprises of the region increase export of metal-cutting machines, automobiles, ship equipment and other products to fraternal countries.

The first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Lithuania, Pyatras Grishkyavichus, characterised in his speech the results of the socio-economic development of the republic. All branches of the national economy advanced along the path of raising the efficiency of production and improving the quality of work. Industrial output increased over the five years by almost 27 percent, all planned national economic projects were made operational. The yearly volume of agricultural production grew by 15 percent.

Pyatras Grishkyavichus said that Lithuania maintains the highest per capita level of livestock production among the union republics. He said about the great work on improving the ideological and political education of the working people: We will continue to further raise political vigilance and repulse any relapses of bourgeois nationalism and anti-Sovietism, inculcate in people communist convictions, he said. [sentence as received]

The Communist Party of Georgia can report good achievements to the congress, said Eduard Shevardnadze, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Georgia. The rates of industrial growth in the past five-year period amounted to 41 percent, agricultural output increased by 34 percent. The five-year program of construction and assembly work was implemented ahead of schedule. The republic has kept its word given to the 25th party congress, Eduard Shevardnadze pointed out.

He stressed that the Georgian communists regard the accomplishments as the first steps on the path towards increasing the republic's contribution to the property of the whole country.

The high rates of the development of Georgia's national economy will remain in the 11th five-year period. The same trend will continue in the 12th five-year period, the speaker pointed out.

Speaking about the problems of the republic's development, he said that for the first time in world practice functioning in Georgia is large-size pneumatic container transport. Ropeways and monorails are being built. It is necessary, however, to increase the throughput capacity of the trunklines linking the republic with the central part of the country.

Soviet power was established in Georgia sixty years ago, Eduard Shevardnadze said. The party's nationalities policy, brotherhood and friendship of the USSR peoples resulted in the true revival of the land.

The general Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia, President of Czechoslovakia Gustav Husak pointed to the great historic significance of the report of the CPSU Central Committee delivered by Leonid Brezhnev "not only for the Soviet people, for the entire socialist community, but also for the international communist and working-class movement, for the forces of socialism, progress and peace in the world."

"The Czechoslovak communists, the entire people of Czechoslovakia highly value the principled foreign policy of the Soviet Union, Leonid Brezhnev's personal contribution to its development and implementation," Gustav Husak said.

"Our people knows the value of peace, therefore it fully supports the efforts of the USSR for the strengthening of peace and the new concrete proposals made in Leonid Brezhnev's report," said the general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia.

"Together with the Soviet Union, with other states of the socialist community, with all progressive, democratic and peaceful forces, we shall be participating actively in this heroic struggle," Gustav Husak said. "We reject the policy of the reactionary forces of imperialism, above all, the United States, which have no wish to put up with the positive changes in the world, are causing the aggravation of international situation. We declare as resolutely against the great-power hegemonistic policy of the Beijing leaders, the policy hostile to socialism and peace."

Janos Kadar, first secretary of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party Central Committee, told the 26th CPSU Congress today; "The work of the party founded by Lenin and of the Soviet people united around their revolutionary vanguard has resulted in grand achievements in the political, economic and cultural spheres".

"The open aspirations of extremist imperialist forces and specific steps by the NATO leadership have caused the detente process to halt and the international situation to aggravate in recent years. One can again hear voices familiar since the cold war times". Janos Kadar continued. "Unfortunately the Chinese leaders' present foreign policy is playing up to cold war champions".

"It has been repeatedly proved by history that the USSR is on the guard of its own security and the security of its allies and is a stronghold of forces fighting for progress and national independence, simultaneously defending peace all over the world", Janos Kadar said.

"At the congress Leonid Brezhnev made new proposals and initiatives of great significance with which we, on our part, fully agree. They confirm again that the USSR is ready to promote in practice consolidation of international security and preservation of peace. All this has brought it the respect of nations."

"The events in Poland have attracted keen interest in recent months. Our enemies count on the positions of socialism getting weaker. The Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party and the Hungarian people are solidary with the fraternal Polish party, with the proponents of socialism in Poland." Janos Kadar said. "We believe that the Polish people, guided by the Polish United Workers' Party, will find a way out of the complicated situation on the path of socialism. As Polish comrades themselves declare, Poland was, is and will be a member of the socialist countries' family".

"The eyes of all communists and progressive people in all countries and continents are again being turned to Moscow today. The 26th CPSU Congress is the most outstanding and important political event of the world today. The peoples are expecting its decisions with faith and hope", said Todor Zhivkov, first secretary of the Bulgarian Communist Party People's Republic of Bulgaria. He noted the "exceptionally profound theoretical and political analysis" made by Leonid Brezhnev in his report.

"Imperialism, primarily American imperialism, has aggravated the international situation and is pursuing a policy of confrontation and higher tensions", Todor Zhivkov continued. "Especially ardent efforts in the anti-Soviet and anti-socialist activities are being made by the present Chinese leadership who cannot live to see a world counterrevolutionary front against the USSR and socialist countries and welcome any action and any word directed against detente".

"However, attempts by imperialists and their henchmen to speak with the USSR and socialist countries from the position of strength and unilateral advantages are futile. Such a policy does not and cannot be a success or have a future. We come out for peace and we shall remain consistent champions of detente, disarmament and cooperation, but we shall not yield to pressure and blackmail. We are able to defend and we shall defend the interests and security of our peoples, of our socialist community".

"We are facing the future with confidence and calm. Our national independence and socialist path of development are guaranteed by our membership in the Warsaw Treaty Organization", Todor Zhivkov said. "Our membership in the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance provides us with ample opportunities for development and prosperity".

"The congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union attracts great attention everywhere. The French communists follow with satisfaction the development of Soviet socialist society", member of the Political Bureau, secretary of the Central Committee of the French Communist Party Gaston Plissonnier said at the 26th Congress of the CPSU.

"Leonid Brezhnev's report shows a wide picture of Soviet reality. We welcome your successes, some of them are just striking. Because of them, your country rates first in the world in various spheres. The Soviet Union continues its advance under the guidance of the CPSU", he went on.

"French reality is quite different", Gaston Plissonnier said. "We come up against the global crisis which affected all aspects of our society, the economic, social, political and moral".

In conclusion, the representative of the French Communist Party said, "there exist active relations of brotherhood and solidarity between our two parties."

General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party, President of the Socialist Republic of Romania Nicolae Ceausescu conveyed a warm communist message of friendship and solidarity to the delegates of the 26th CPSU Congress, to the peoples of the Soviet Union.

"We have special satisfaction about the onward development of warm friendship and solidarity between the Romanian Communist Party and the CPSU, between our countries and peoples, friendship and solidarity based on the principles of scientific socialism, of Marxism-Leninism, on complete equ ity and mutual respect, on non-interference in internal affairs and comradely mutual assistance," he said.

"The cardinal problems with which the peoples are concerned now is the ending of the arms race that assumed huge, truly catastrophic scope, the transition to disarmament, above all nuclear disarmament, to the ensurance of peace, of the right to life and security for all peoples of the world."

"In this connection we welcome the proposals expressed in Leonid Brezhnev's report, the proposals for the strengthening of confidence, for disarmament, for the holding of talks to decide all disputed questions. We believe that for the sake of ensuring peace, detente and disarmament everything must be done to curb the arms race and to maintain the balance of forces not through the increase but through the steady reductions of armaments, until they are liquidated."

The 26th CPSU Congress will continue its work tomorrow, on February 25.

TASS Sums Up Day

LD242241 Moscow TASS in English 2234 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb, TASS--The 26th CPSU Congress continued today in the Kremlin. Its participants today discussed the report of the CPSU Central Committee to the 26th CPSU Congress and the current tasks of the party in home and foreign policy that was delivered by General Secretary of the CPSU Central Committee Leonid Brezhnev and a report of the Central Auditing Commission of the CPSU.

The delegates unanimously supported the home and foreign policy of the Communist Party, its consistent struggle for the maintenance of universal peace and international security. The speakers pointed to the successes achieved by the Soviet people and summed up important tasks facing the country.

The speakers at the congress on the second day of its work were members and alternate members of the Political Bureau Dinmukhamed Kunayev, Grigoriy Romanov, Mikhail Solomentsev, Tikhon Kiselev, Sharaf Rashidov, Geydar Aliyev, Eduard Shevardnadze; senior furnace attendant of the Magnitogorsk Metallurgical Complex Vasiliy Naumkin; First Secretary of the Rostov Regional Committee of the CPSU (the south of Russia) Ivan Bondarenko; First Secretary of the Bashkir Regional Committee of the CPSU (the near-Urals area) Midkhat Shakirov; weaver of the Ivanovo worsted complex (the centre of Russia) Valentina Golubeva and others.

The participants in the congress were welcomed cordially by leaders of foreign delegations present at the 26th Congress--Fidel Castro Ruz, Le Duan, Stanislaw Kania, Erich Honecker, Gustav Husak, Janos Kadar, Todor Zhivkov, Gaston Plissonnier, Nicolae Ceausescu. The 26th CPSU Congress will continue its work tomorrow, on February 25.

Kunayev Address

LD241144 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 0800 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Dinmukhamed Akhmedovich Kunayev, first secretary of the Kazakh Communist Party Central Committee, during 24 February debate at the 26th CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--with portions recorded]

[Text] [Begin recording] Comrades, in connection with events of world significance, our congress will occupy a particular place as a great event determining the progress of modern history in its most important directions. [applause]

In the report made by Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, together with profound Marxist-Leninist analysis--especially of the seventies and eighties--there are clear and precise conclusions about the [word indistinct] future. And this document of unparalleled importance, absorbing the collective wisdom of the Central Committee, sums up the results of gigantic efforts in the work of the party and people, makes a great contribution to the theory and practice of building communism, and serves as an active guide on virtually all positions for us and the entire international communist movement. [applause]

It would be fitting to recall that from the very beginning of Soviet rule, from the very first days of victorious processions, there was coverage of the 10 days that shook the whole world. Now there is coverage of the ten Soviet 5-year plans which radically transformed our country and made it the most powerful stronghold of peace and genuine social progress on earth. [applause]

Particularly positive changes have occurred in the last 5 years. All this convincingly demonstrates that the Central Committee is carrying out large-scale and satisfactory work in all spheres of economic and political life in the country. [words indistinct] Lenin's statements, which are still being proved right by the great trust shown to our party by the entire Soviet people. [applause]

One can say without exaggeration that the significance of the Central Committee report is universal. [applause] All progressive mankind listens with attention and hope to the words of the Leninist party. In this, Leonid Ilich Brezhnev has performed outstanding service, as our [word indistinct] leader, and faithful continuer of Lenin's eternal cause. [applause] This far-sighted, flexible policy, this Bolshevik sense of principle, fervour and noteworthiness, has (?not yet run its course). [passage indistinct] [applause]

The delegation of the Kazakh Communist Party, expressing the will of (?750,000) communists in the republic, and all its working people, fully approves the political line and practical work of the Central Committee and the internal and foreign policies of our party, and warmly supports all the provisions and conclusions of the Central Committee report. [applause]

Comrades, the Kazakhstan Communist Party, one of the active members of the CPSU, has grown and has consolidated over the given period and has been even more greatly enriched by its political, ideological, educational and organizational experience.

As a result of the fulfillment of the decisions of the 25th congress, there have been considerable changes in the [word indistinct] science and culture of the republic: Its national income has grown, its production capacity has been renewed, its basic resources have been increased, and new branches of industry have been created. [end recording]

Comrade Kunayev described in detail the achievements of the industrial workers of Kazakhstan. The republic's industry now produces as much in 12 days as it did in the entire prewar year of 1940. The party organizations of Kazakhstan, Comrade Kunayev noted, constantly devote attention to the most effective distribution of productive forces and the further development of territorial-production complexes. Comrade Kunayev went on to say:

[Begin recording] Comrades. Thanks to the consistent implementation of the party policies and the steady development of the virgin lands, there has been specialization and concentration of production, and great changes have occurred in the Soviet economy. Fixed capital stock has grown considerably and gross agricultural production has grown by (?14) percent in this period. An intense struggle was carried on in the republic to fulfill the tasks of the 5-year plan. It was crowned with success. We can report with satisfaction that the set tasks for production of grain stocks have been overfulfilled by us, comrades. [applause]

No previous 5-year plan has ever proved so bountiful in the Kazakh cornfields. More than 81 million tons of grain--or a yearly average of almost 1 billion poods--have been delivered to state granaries. [applause] The plan was overfulfilled by 233 million poods and this addition alone is almost three times the quantity of grain received from Kazakhstan during the years preceding the heroic virgin lands era. [end recording]

In conclusion, Comrade Kunayev said:

[Begin recording] [applause] Comrades. On behalf of the communists and all the working people of Kazakhstan, we assure the 26th CPSU Congress that we shall spare no effort in ensuring the successful implementation of its decisions, and we shall continue to strive in every possible way for the triumph of the great ideals of communism. [applause] [end recording]

TASS on Kunayev

LD242032 Moscow TASS in English 2010 GMT 24 Feb 81

["Dinmukhamed Kunayev's Speech at the 26th CPSU Congress"--TASS headline]

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb, TASS--"The 26th congress will hold a special place among the events of world significance as a great event which determines the course of modern history on its most important directions", Dinmukhamed Kunayev, member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kazakhstan, said at the 26th CPSU Congress. Noting the world significance of the CPSU Central Committee's report to the congress, he dwelt on the results of Kazakhstan's socio-economic developments. Considerable changes took place in the economy, science and culture of the republic during the five-year period. The republic's national income increased. The production potential renewed. The fixed assets grew. New branches of the industry were created. Industrial output increased by more than 18 percent. The scale, efficiency and quality of work increased. 250 industrial enterprises, large workshops and production facilities were made operational.

There are tens of light industry enterprises among the new and modernized facilities, which made it possible to more than double the output of high-quality consumer goods, Dinmukhamed Kunayev said.

Links between science and production became stronger, the process of the location of productive forces was perfected, unique territorial-industrial complexes developed. Only one of them, the Pavlodar-Ekibastuz complex, gives the country tractors, ferroalloys, alumina, chemical and petrochemical products. The complex is becoming a large fuel-and-energy region producing more than 70 million tons of coal a year, which helped increase its annual production in the republic up to almost 120 million tons--the amount the whole country produced in the second five-year period. An extra long-distance d.c. powerline, Ekibastuz-Centre, the first in the world, is being built.

The republic's geologists discovered a number of new mineral deposits, which helps determine new large regions for their future development, Dinmukhamed Kunayev said. These are, for instance, new large oil and gas deposits in Mangyshlak and the Aktyubinsk region, giant coal deposits in the Turgai steppe, easily accessible and largely surpassing in size the Ekibastuz deposit.

He said that great changes occurred in agriculture. The fixed assets considerably increased. The gross output grew over that period by 14 percent. 81 million tons of grain were taken in.

Obvious and vivid are the fruits of the party's social programme which facilitates the molding of a new man, Dinmukhamed Kunayev said. Incomes of the population substantially raised over the five-year period. The cities, villages and auls [settlements] of Kazakhstan became more beautiful.

Electrification of the countryside was completed, the gas supply program is nearing completion. Work in the countryside is becoming industrialized, while life is noticeably approaching that in town. One in five inhabitants of the republic improved housing conditions.

"We, Soviet communists, Dinmukhamed Kunayev said, "have always been and remain faithful allies of the forces of national liberation, all champions for social progress. Any fabrications about our imagined complicity in 'international terrorism', which turn everything upside down, look absurd and cynical.

"It is unfortunate that China acts as active supporter of all anti-Soviet actions".

The distinguishing feature of the CPSU's policies, tactics and strategy is in the thoroughly scientific nature, real knowledge of life, and the keen sense of historical perspective.

"We, Soviet people, have always known," Dinmukhamed Kunayev said in conclusion, "that there have never been, nor will ever be a force capable of compelling us to forego our dignity, our interests, to call in question our loyalty to peoples' friendship, profound faithfulness to the great communist unity which no one will ever undermine."

Romanov Address

LD241106 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 0830 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Grigoriy Romanov, first secretary of the Leningrad Obkom, during the 24 February debate at the 26th CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--with portions recorded]

[Text] [Begin recording] Comrade delegates, the huge upsurge caused by the preparations for the 26th CPSU Congress, and the whole atmosphere in which it is being held, convincingly demonstrate the party's boundless devotion to the great Lenin's cause, its cohesion round the Central Committee and its Politburo headed by Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, the most authoritative political and state leader of our times, the well-tried standard-bearer of peace. [applause]

The Central Committee's report--a model of the firm blend of Marxist-Leninist theory and practical experience of communist construction--gives us all a powerful supply of energy and optimism. Leonid Ilich, with the depth and force of argument so characteristic of him, made an all-round analysis of the key problems of contemporary time, painted the party's titanic work in all its variety, and outlined the cardinal directions of our country's future progress. [applause]

From first to last, this (?basic) document, directed toward the future, confirms the complete accordance of the CPSU's general course with the vital interests of the Soviet people, the world revolutionary process, and the struggle for peace on our planet. [applause]

The path a trail-blazer must traverse is a difficult one; never has it been covered with roses. However, we know, better than any Sovietologists. that no difficulties will halt the forward march of the Soviet state to the goals that Aurora's October salvo proclaimed to the world. [applause]

The report contains an impressive picture of the active, creative activities of the CPSU in the international arena. It is important to emphasize that in conditions when detente is subjected to serious trials, the Soviet Union will not allow itself to be deflected from its course aimed at making the situation healthier, consistently exposing the aggressive designs of imperialist circles and their Beijing accomplices, and resolutely coming out in favor of halting the arms race. A clear answer to the question of whether the Soviet people want war, as well as a reproof to those who fan the myth of a Soviet threat, are contained in the new peaceful initiatives put forward by Leonid Ilich yesterday; initiatives of a global nature, permeated with true humanism and nobility. [applause]

Expressing the will of communists, the working people of the city and the oblast, the delegation of the Leningrad party organization unanimously approves the political line and practical activities of the Central Committee, of the Politburo headed by Leonid Ilich Brezhnev--faithful continuator of Lenin's cause--and pledges to unswervingly implement the provisions and conclusions of the report of the party's central committee. [applause]

Comrades, during the period between congresses the Soviet people, under the party's leadership, attained new, considerable successes in all sections of economic and cultural construction. The increased pontential of our national economy, its turn toward intensive factors, can be clearly seen in the example of the Leningrad economy. Today we are able to report that the first plan for the all-round economic and social development of Leningrad and its oblast, worked out for the 10th 5-Year Plan, has made it possible to ensure closer ties between industrial and territorial planning, to balance better the production tasks against the resources in hand. In all, in the 10th 5-Year Plan, R21 billion worth of output more was produced than in the preceding plan period. Pledges adopted to honor the 26th congress have been successfully fulfilled. The fourth set of the Leningrad AES has been put on line ahead of schedule. This year the AES will attain its full rated capacity of 4 million kws. The keel has been laid for Rossiya, a modern nuclear-powered icebreaker. Workers in agriculture obtained dozens of above-plan Kirovets tractors. Equipment for a number of the country's new construction projects has been dispatched ahead of schedule. Behind all this there is strenuous toil, initiatives of workers, specialists and scientists.

We are profoundly grateful to Leonid Ilich Brezhnev for the positive assessment of the work of the Leningrad party organization aimed at raising creative activeness of production collectives and educating the working people in the communist spirit. [applause]

At the same time we well know that the reserves of the Leningrad scientific and productive potential are far from having been exhausted. [end recording]

The first secretary of the Leningrad Obkom outlined the measures being adopted to bring these reserves into play.

[Begin recording] Comrades. The country's economic might, and the moral-political unity of Soviet society, provide reliable guarantees for new successes along all sections of creativity. Allow me to assure the 26th CPSU Congress, and you personally, dear Leonid Ilich, that the Leningrad party organization, the working people of the city and its oblast, will make a worthy contribution to further strengthening the economic and defensive might of the motherland, and will continue to be a reliable support for our Leninist party in the struggle for implementing its grand plans. [applause] [end recording]

TASS on Romanov

LD242226 Moscow TASS in English 2210 GMT 24 Feb 81

["Grigoriy Romanov's Speech at 26th CPSU Congress"--TASS headline]

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb, TASS--"The report of the CPSU Central Committee, which is a fusion of Marxist-Leninist theory and the practical experience of communist construction charges one with energy and optimism," member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, First Secretary of the Leningrad regional party committee Grigoriy Romanov said at the 26th OPSU Congress.

"This fundamental document setting the trends for the future confirms that the line of the CPSU is fully in keeping with the vital interests of the Soviet people, with the world revolutionary process, the struggle for world peace," he stressed.

"The road of the trailblazer is not easy and was never strewn with roses," Grigoriy Romanov said, "but we know better than any 'Sovietologist' that no difficulties will arrest the onward advance of the Soviet Union to the goals which have been proclaimed to the world by the October Revolution."

"In conditions when the relaxation of tensions is subjected to serious tests, the Soviet Union will not be pushed off the course aimed at improving the situation, exposes consistently the aggressive designs of the imperialist circles and their Beijing accomplices, declares resolutely for the ending of the arms race," he went on.

"The new peace initiatives that were advanced yesterday by Leonid Brezhnev, the initiatives that have a global nature and are imbued with genuine humanism and nobleness give a clear answer to the question if the Soviet people want war and rebuff those who spread the lies about 'Soviet menace'" Grigoriy Romanov said.

Grigoriy Romanov reported to the delegates of the congress about new achievements of the working people of Leningrad and the Leningrad region. "The volume of industrial output increased over this period by nearly 23 percent and was reached mainly through the increase of labour productivity," he said.

"Specialized zones of vegetable growing, live-stock breeding and poultry farming for commodity production have been created around Leningrad," Grigoriy Romanov said. "This made it possible to increase over the past ten years the purchases of milk, meat, eggs, and thus considerably increase the supply of food products, through local production. Large-scale social transformations have been implemented. More than one million Leningraders moved to new flats. The target for the completion of pre-school institutions has been almost doubled. The living and working conditions have been improved.

"The economic might of the country, the moral and political unity of Soviet society guarantee reliably new successes at all sections of construction. We are forging ahead having acquired not only our own experience but also the experience of our associates," Grigoriy Romanov said. "We are forging ahead with the firm awareness that the communists of the whole world firmly keep their hold of the helm of history!"

In conclusion, Grigoriy Romanov assured the 26th CPSU Congress, Leonid Brezhnev personally, that the Leningrad party organization, the working people of Leningrad and the region will make a due contribution to further strengthening of the economic and defence might of the motherland, will remain a reliable support of the Leninist party in the struggle for the implementation of its grand plans.

Solomentsev Address

LD241154 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 0930 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Mikhail Solomentsev, candidate member of the CPSU Central Committee Politburo and chairman of the RSFSR Council of Ministers, during the 24 February debate at the 26th CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--with portions recorded]

[Text] [Begin recording] Comrade delegates. The working people, peasantry and intelligentsia of the Russian Federation, like the whole of the Soviet people, unanimously approve the external and internal policy of the party. They link the Soviet country's successes and the consolidation of its international positions with the tireless and multifarious activities of the party's Central Committee of, its Politburo and of Leonid Ilich Brezhnev.

Like the comrades before me, I propose to approve fully and completely the political course and practical work of the CPSU Central Committee. [applause] [end recording]

Further on in his speech, Comrade Solomentsev depicted the successes of the Russian Federation during the 10th 5-year period. In part, he noted that the republic's national income, as compared with the 9th 5-year period, increased by 29 percent and the volume of industrial production by 31 percent. During the 5-year period the republic produced 570 million tons of grain, which was 55 million tons more than in the previous 5-year period and carried out an extensive program of capital construction. During the period 700 large industrial enterprises were put into operation, including such giants as the West Siberian oil-gas combine, the Kansk-Achinsk coal basin and others. Housing construction was pursued on a great scale. During the past 5-year period every third inhabitant of the federation improved his housing conditions.

Further on, Comrade Solomentsev said:

[Begin recording] Comrades. For the 11th 5-year period the party has sketched out new and lofty frontiers. The republic will not only have to increase substantially the volume of production, but, what is especially important, will have to increase sharply the role of intense factors of its economic growth and carry out a great program of further improvement in the people's standard of living. In connection with this, the active and practical realization of the Leninist ideas on a complex economic and social development of society is acquiring an increasing significance. These Leninist theses have received further development in the decisions of our party and in the works of Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. They were confirmed by the Constitution and tested by practices of communist building.

The consistent complex approach to the development of our economy will foster a fuller use of production capacities, material and labor resources and the permanent stay of cadre workers. This is of even greater importance because the formation of large territorial-production complexes will be continued throughout the 11th 5-year period. Many of them are being set up in harsh, little-assimilated regions in the east and north where housing and cultural and everyday service facilities for the population have so far been in shorter supply. It is, therefore, most necessary to pay unremitting attention to the development of the services sphere and of those enterprises that are connected with the creation of conditions favorable for the work and life of the people in these regions.

Comrades, during the new 5-year period, as was noted in the report of Leonid Ilich, much will have to be done to intensify agricultural production, realize the food program, improve the supply of foodstuffs to the population and to create a further upsurge in agriculture. The realization of these measures depends today, to a great extent, on the availability of permanent cadres in every kolkhoz. In its turn, the creation of stable production collectives is directly connected with how social problems are solved in the countryside. Therefore, party, administrative and economic organs of the republic set before themselves as a task of primary importance to carry out in the shortest time possible the construction of well-appointed houses, and nurseries on a scale which will allow, in the main, to staff every collective and state farm with qualified cadres. [end recording]

In conclusion, Comrade Solomentsev said:

[Begin recording] Comrade delegates, the 26th CPSU Congress opens before our country a majestic vista. Under the leadership of their tested vanguard--the Communist Party--the working people of the Russian Federation, like the entire Soviet people, will work even more selflessly in the name of prosperity of the beloved homeland, for the sake of peace and happiness of man and in the name of the triumph of communism. [applause] [end recording]

Kiselev Address

LD241350 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Tikhon Kiselev, first secretary of the Belorussian Communist Party Central Committee, during 24 February debate at the 26th CPSU Congress in Kremlin Palace of Congresses--with portions recorded]

[Text] [Begin recording] The voice of the congress is the voice of the conscience of the planet, the voice of wisdom and truth, the voice of peace and justice. [applause]

The report presented to the congress by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee, is essentially a report to the whole party, the entire Soviet people and to all truly revolutionary progressive forces of the present day.

On behalf of the 600,000-strong detachment of communists, expressing the unanimous opinion of the working people of the republic, the delegation of the Communist Party of Belorussia completely and wholly approves the political line and practical activity of the CPSU Central Committee. [applause]

We approve of the strict guidance and execution of the points, conclusions and tasks contained in the report of the Central Committee. Our delegation wholly supports the proposal submitted for discussion at the congress to insert the necessary alterations and additions into the CPSU's existing program. [applause]

The working people of Belorussia, in the united family of the Soviet peoples, are persistently working to implement the party's plans. In the seventies the republic raised its development to a new plane. The column of industrial production more than doubled, including an increase of 42 percent during the years of the 10th 5-Year Plan. A further growth in the production and sale to the state of agricultural produce has been provided. A vast social program has been fulfilled. In the review period alone every fifth inhabitant has been rehoused. The communists and all the toiling people of our towns and villages received with profound gratitude the high appraisal given by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev from the platform of the congress to the contribution made by Belorussia to the country's economy. This is for us an inspiring and motivating appraisal. [applause] [end recording]

[Announcer] In his speech Comrade Kiselev noted that all cadres and party bodies in Belorussia will strictly follow the directions of the review report of the CPSU Central Committee to raise exactingness, to learn how to manage more effectively and to make better use of the means of production and science and technology which have already been created. In conclusion Comrade Kiselev said:

[Begin recording] The party's plans are peaceful plans. It is doing everything to create favorable foreign policy conditions for their implementation. Like throughout the country, in Belorussia--over which, according to Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev's figurative expression, the bells of Katyn sound as a tragic warning--they well understand the price of war. Our people also know at what price peace is guaranteed. Peace is the greatest blessing, and the working people of Belorussia are profoundly grateful to the creator of the peace program, an untiring organizer of its practical implementation, Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. [applause]

Permit me, dear comrades, to assure the congress that the communists and all the working people of Belorussia will rally even more tightly around the party's Leninist Central Committee and, under its experienced leadership, do everything to implement the historic decisions of the 26th CPSU Congress. [applause] [end recording]

Rashidov Address

LD241219 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Sharaf Rashidov, first secretary of the Uzbek Communist Party Central Committee, during 24 February debate at the 26th CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--with portions recorded]

[Text] [Begin recording] Comrades. The state anthem of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics contains beautiful lines: Lenin's party, the power of the people leads us to the triumph of communism. [applause]

Such precise, clear and true words: They give birth to a genuine and clear picture of the mighty and luminous wisdom of our party, of its eternal and indissoluble unity with the people. They contain the most profound sense and a great truth. They express our love and pride, our conscience and hope, the boundless respect of the Soviet people for the glorious party of communists. [applause]

While listening to the CPSU Central Committee's report, prepared with Leninist wisdom, each of us, delegates to the party's 26th congress, every Soviet person, with the feeling of legitimate pride, can say: In the world there is no such magnetic force as can compare with the revolutionary creativity, grand, humane ideas and glorious accomplishments of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. [applause]

The selfless fighter for the implementation of Lenin's immortal behests--our party--has always been and remains equal to its historical responsibility. That is why the Soviet people wholeheartedly trust the party and support wholly and completely its domestic and foreign policies. [applause]

Leonid Brezhnev is a thousand times right, having emphasized with perspicacity: Where the party is, there is success, there is victory. [applause]

Uzbekistan's working people, like all the Soviet people, are firmly convinced that implementation of the decisions of the 26th party congress will ensure the further development of the productive potential of our country and will raise the USSR's authority in the international arena even higher.

At the recently held meetings of the primary party organizations at the rayon, town and oblast party conferences, at the 20th Congress of Uzbekistan's Communist Party, during the nationwide discussion of the "Basic Guidelines," the political course, economic strategy and practical activities of the CPSU Central Committee, its Politburo, have received unanimous approval and warm support. [applause]

Comrade delegates, the years of the 10th 5-Year Plan were, for Uzbekistan, as for all union republics of the country, years of a new and rapid development of the economy, science and culture and a steadfast rise in the people's well-being. The republic has successfully fulfilled the main socioeconomic tasks of the 5-year plan. From this lofty rostrum we are pleased to report to the party that the republic kept with honor its word given at the 25th CPSU Congress: For the first time in the history of cotton cultivation in the fatherland, the republic has exceeded the 6 million mark. A record quantity of cotton--6.23 million tons--was sold last year. Our victory is the tangible result of the constantly growing help given the republic by the CPSU Central Committee, the Soviet Government all fraternal peoples of the USSR. [applause] [end recording]

[Announcer] Further on, Comrade Rashidov dwelt on the tasks which Uzbekistan's working people are facing in the 11th 5-Year Plan. In conclusion, Comrade Rashidov said:

[Begin recording] Permeated with boundless faith in the policy of our own party, in the wise leadership of its Central Committee, the working people of Uzbekistan, in closed formation, together with all the fraternal peoples of the country will continue to march along the road of the truth, valor and heroism, the road of happiness along which the Leninist party is leading us. [applause]

Allow me to assure the historic 26th CPSU Congress that the communists and all working people of Soviet Uzbekistan will spare no labor or efforts to fulfill with honor and dignity the grand designs of the party and to make the 11th 5-Year Plan into a 5-year plan of shock work, work in the Leninist style, thus multiplying its contribution towards the construction of communism. [applause] [end recording]

Castro Address

FL241535 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1030 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Cuban President Fidel Castro on 24 February to the 26th CPSU Congress in Moscow--recorded]

[Text] Dear Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev; dear delegates; dear guests: The new world, in which the old colonial empires were made to collapse, in which socialism is consolidated and extended and in which an era of liberation and independence for nations unprecedented in history emerged, was made possible because of the existence of the Soviet Union, the firmness of its Marxist-Leninist and internationalist principles, and, finally, its might, which imperialism has been unable, and will be unable, to ignore. [applause]

That is why the world concentrates its attention these days on the 26th congress of the Soviet communists. [applause] Whatever is said or decided here will have great repercussions on international affairs. [applause]

At a time when we see the danger of war approaching again, when aggression casts its shadow and intervention threatens nations, the Soviet Union and its glorious Communist Party, which you represent, once again emerge as a hope for peace and a guarantee that the imperialists will not be able to impose their claims to domination and make their aggressive arrogance prevail. [applause]

Unfortunately, the language of the cold war is heard again in the most influential nation of the contemporary capitalist world. Detente is cast aside to push the senseless doctrine of military superiority. The results of the SALT treaties are replaced by demands for new and sophisticated weapons that can only lead to the most unrestrained arms race. The Yankee imperialists arrogantly attempt to set up 572 medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe aimed at the Soviet Union. They again talk of the neutron bomb. They increase their military budget to astronomical heights while they reduce domestic social programs and their meager assistance to the underdeveloped world in a stance of extreme selfishness, prepotency, force. The beginning of a new arms race and the return to the cold war would brutally aggravate the serious economic crisis affecting the world's economy at present. The hopes for economic-social development, for winning the battle against hunger, illiteracy and disease in an atmosphere of international peace and cooperation, would be dashed for the immense majority of the peoples inhabiting the earth. Social conflicts, centers of tension and the danger of war would intensify. It would be a great crime against humankind.

The Yankee imperialists now also want to equate the national liberation movement and the struggle of peoples for social change with terrorism. For them, to be a revolutionary, to simply be a progressive or a fighter for democracy is to be a terrorist. With these fallacies and lies they finally drop the human rights they used as a fig leaf to proclaim themselves shamelessly once again as gendarmes of the world. [applause]

In Latin America, by raising the specter of intervention, they threaten, first, the patriots of El Salvador and Guatemala with sinister aggressive plans and they arm bloodthirsty governments in these two nations that are truly genocidal, while at the same time they voice clumsy lies about socialist and progressive countries, trying to show that what is happening in Central America is not the result of the just rebellion of peoples against crimes, age-old oppression and merciless imperialist exploitation but the consequence of alleged international conspiracies.

At the same time, they obstruct, harass and try to intimidate the revolutionary people of Nicaragua; they help and abet the most corrupt and criminal dictatorships of our continent; and they undermine the work of all governments that speak with their own voice of attempt to improve the lot of their people, laying bare their aim of establishing an ever increasing iron-handed domination over the whole hemisphere.

Ninety miles from our fatherland are those who proclaim the need to destroy us. We are openly threatened with a military blockade and even more drastic measures are studied with the aim of obliterating the example of socialist Cuba from Latin America and of punishing the Cuban people for their friendship with the USSR and the socialist community, for their irrevocable solidarity with the peoples of Africa and the world's revolutionary and progressive movement.

A similar aggressive and threatening imperialistic policy is demonstrated in southern Africa, the Indian Ocean, Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

Here, in the very heart of Europe, imperialism tries to break sister Poland away from the socialist community and openly fosters the country's political destabilization, causing incalculable social, moral and material damage to the children of that noble and selfless people.

This display of prepotency would augur an ominous future, and new subjections, for the nations of the world were it not for the powerful and steadfast forces of victorious socialism standing next to the forces for peace and national liberation. [applause] The nobel cause of socialism, the aspiration for a just, free, peaceful and humane world will never be swept from the face of the earth. [applause]

We know that the Soviets and their Communist Party love peace. Peace, under the brilliant inspiration of Lenin, was the first call the Soviet Government issued in the early days of the triumph of the glorious October Revolution. Peace is the watchword and the basis of the programs drafted at the 24 and 25th congresses. As the serene, firm, brave report and the new and brilliant proposals of Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, a tireless defender of these noble principles, [applause] so demonstrate. The struggle for and preservation of peace for all peoples continues to be the focus of attention of the communists in this their 26th congress. [applause]

Socialism does not need wars or arms races, [applause] that is one of the basic differences between socialism and capitalism. [applause] Socialism has demonstrated that it also knows how to defend itself; [applause] that it does not tremble before any enemy. [applause] And revolutionary peoples will not hesitate to make the efforts and sacrifices that circumstances demand to preserve the rights of present and future generations to life, independence, justice, well-being and peace. [applause]

Cuba will never be subjugated. [applause] We are building the new socialist society with resolute serenity. We are engaged fully in creative work, but we are also preparing with the same measure of resoluteness to defend the fatherland for whose liberation we fought for more than 100 years. [appalause] We will fight for every inch of our land until the death if imperialism dares attack our socialist fatherland. [applause] We will not reject the olive branch if offered but neither will we draw back before aggression. Principles are not negotiable. [applause]

In this battle for our sovereignty and in the permanent effort for socialist economic development, the internationalist and fraternal hand of the Soviet Union, its people and its communists has always been forthcoming. [applause]

For this reason, we would like to reiterate our eternal gratitude at their 26th congress. But, we are not only grateful for what they have done for us but also for what this great country and this great people have done for all of humankind. [applause]

The second congress of our party proclaimed to the world our pride in the relations between the Soviet Union and Cuba, an example of fraternal and respectful friendship. We are and will always be faithful friends of the generous and heroic people who helped us so much. [applause] Ingratitude, opportunism or betrayal will never have a place in our hearts. [applause]

In the spirit of that deep friendship, we salute you in your congress and in the name of the Cuban communists and all our people who are also communist, we tell you: Long live Lenin! [applause] Long live the glorious CPSU! [applause] Long live proletarian internationalism! [applause] Long live peace! [applause] Fatherland or death, venceremos! [prolonged applause, indistinct chanting]

Le Duan Speech

OW241545 Hanoi VNA in English 1525 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Hanoi VNA February 24--The following speech was delivered by Le Duan, general secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam, at the 26th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union in Moscow this morning:

"With boundless joy, the delegation of the Communist Party of Vietnam attends the 26th congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the party of Lenin, the militant vanguard of the international communist and workers' movement. On behalf of the communists, the working class and the people of Vietnam, I would like, from this solemn forum, to convey to the congress and, through it, to the glorious CPSU and the great Soviet people our warmest greetings.

"We greatly rejoice at the fraternal Soviet People's brilliant achievements which Comrade Brezhnev vividly brought out in his political report. Thanks to the extraordinary efforts and creative talents of the Soviet people under the clearsighted leadership of the CPSU headed by esteemed Comrade L.I. Brezhnev, an outstanding leader of the party and the state of the Soviet Union and a prominent activist of the international communist and workers' movement, the Soviet Union has greatly increased its economic and defence potential over the past five years, the national economy has made an important advance, and the people's living standards have become constantly improved. Comrade L.I. Brezhnev has said: 'The current five-year plan has a worthy place in the history of the heroic cause of the Soviet people who are firmly advancing to communism.'

"Carrying out a Leninist foreign policy, the Soviet party and state have made tireless efforts towards international peace and security. They have put forth many initiatives to further the process of detente and disarmament and have resolutely countered adventurous moves of the bellicose imperialist forces in collusion with the reactionary forces within the Beijing leadership. All through its activity, the Soviet Union has always wholeheartedly supported the just cause of the peoples struggling for peace, national independence, democracy and socialism. The Soviet state emerging with the slogans 'Peace for All Peoples' and 'Freedom for the Oppressed Peoples', remains the firm bastion of peace and the reliable buttress of the world revolution.

"Each success of the Soviet Union on the road of communist construction gives pride and hope to freedom-loving people. The Eleventh Five-Year Plan will surely take the Soviet state to higher peaks while strongly encouraging communists and justice-loving people on all continents. The Communist Party and the people of Vietnam sincerely wish the fraternal Soviet people success in implementing the resolution of this historic congress, making the Soviet Union richer and stronger and advancing the cause of peace and revolution on our planet.

"Earth-shaking events have taken place in the world over the recent past proving the continuous irresistible advance of the three revolutionary currents. The socialist system with the Soviet Union as its mainstay has grown in scope and strength and continues to play a decisive role in the evolution of human society. Dictators of the worst kinds, abetted by international reaction, have collapsed one after another. From the ashes of these bloody regimes have emerged states governed by the people which have opted for a society without human exploitation. Even within the stronghold of capitalism, working class and democratic movements are developing with unprecedented vigour.

"In sheer contrast to the radiant reality and bright future of the revolutionary and progressive forces is the gloomy picture of imperialism and Chinese expansionism and hegemonism. In their position of weakness, they are getting closer together, knocking together alliances and trying to counter-attack the revolutionary forces in an attempt to regain their lost positions. This is a major cause of the present hotbeds of tension in the Middle and Near East, in southwest Asia, Southeast Asia, and elsewhere. Imperialism and international reaction are also attempting to intervene in the internal affairs of socialist Poland. Nevertheless, this is merely an illusion: that nation's struggle for self-liberation and for the building of a new life in line with socialism is an historical inevitability. Socialism is now invincible. The socialist system is unbreakable. For all their perfidious schemes and brutal actions, imperialism and its henchmen can never reverse this situation. United under the invincible banner of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, we will win new and more brilliant victories for the cause of national independence, for socialism and for the consolidation of peace."

"Dear comrades, The October Revolution has opened up the greatest epoch in human history. The aspirations of nations to advance to socialism are developing into vivid realities. As time goes by, this truth will glow more and more brilliantly than ever. Following the road of the October Revolution, the Vietnamese people have wrested back their most precious independence, freedom and national reunification, steering their country into the era of socialism, the most splendid era in the nation's history.

"Realizing the law of history and proceeding from the characteristics of the country, the Fourth Congress of the Communist Party of Vietnam charted the line of socialist revolution, the basic content of which is to firmly grasp proletarian dictatorship, bring into play the working people's right to collective mastery, simultaneously carry out the three revolutions--the revolution in the relations of production, the scientific and technological revolution and the ideological and cultural revolution, with the scientific and technological revolution as the key one--build a regime of socialist collective mastery, large-scale socialist production, a new culture and a new generation of socialist people with a view to building a rich and strong socialist Vietnam having a modern industrial and agricultural economy, a powerful national defence, an advanced culture, science and technology, and a happy and civilized life for its people.

"With those guidelines, the Vietnamese people have eagerly engaged in national construction, transformed and developed the economy in order [to] quickly, vigorously and steadily develop socialism in the country. But the reactionaries in the Beijing ruling circles, who regard a reunified and socialist Vietnam as an obstacle to their policy of expansionism and hegemony in Southeast Asia, have publicly carried out a policy of hostility towards Vietnam. They provoked war at our southwestern border by proxy of Pol Pot-Ieng Sary-Khieu Samphan in Kampuchea, then blatantly waged a war of aggression on the northern border of our country.

"Deeply imbued with Comrade Ho Chi Minh's words: 'Nothing is more precious than independence and freedom', the Vietnamese people responded firmly and smashed the southward drive of the Beijing expansionists, firmly maintaining national sovereignty and defending peace and stability in the region.

"At present, the Vietnamese people are faced with enormous tasks: building socialism while remaining prepared to fight and defend the country. In spite of boundless difficulties, the Vietnamese people are determined to successfully take on these historical tasks, and together with the fraternal peoples of Laos and Kampuchea will give a darker hue to the glorious banner of national independence and socialism, worthily contributing to peace and revolution in Southeast Asia and the rest of the world.

"To follow Lenin's path, to unite and cooperate fully with the Soviet Union that is the consistent line of our party and state. The treaty of friendship and cooperation between the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has led the pure comradely and fraternal relations between Vietnam and the Soviet Union to a new stage of development both in breadth and in depth.

"'Acting on the order of the heart and the brain', the Soviet brothers and sisters have reserved for the Vietnamese people their strong support and great and effective assistance in national construction as well as in the defence of our socialist motherland.

"I wish to take this opportunity to express once again the sincerest and deepest gratitude of our entire party and people to the great Soviet Union for that noble proletarian internationalist sentiment.

"Also on this occasion, we warmly thank the other socialist countries, the communist parties, the national liberation and peace movements all over the world for their wholehearted support and assistance to the Vietnamese people's just cause.

"The Communist Party and the people of Vietnam will forever firmly raise the banner of solidarity with the Soviet Union upheld by Comrade Ho Chi Minh and pledge to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Soviet comrades in translating into vivid reality our pure ideal: socialism and communism.

"Eternal glory to the party of the great Lenin!

"Long live the fraternal friendship, militant solidarity and all-round cooperation between the two parties and peoples of Vietnam and the Soviet Union!

"Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

Shakirov Address

LD242047 Moscow TASS in English 1534 GMT 24 Feb 81

["The USSR's Solidarity With Peoples Struggling for Freedom"--TASS headline]

[Text] Moscow, 24 (TASS)--"Soviet people fully solidarise with the peoples who struggle for freedom, independence and social progress," Midkhat Shakirov, the first secretary of the Bashkir Regional Committee of the party, said today in a speech at the 26th Congress of the CPSU. "Each of them has its own way into the future, and we Soviet communists do not impose our views on anyone. Our internationalist help is unselfish. Its only goal is the emancipation of the peoples from the heavy burden of the past, from poverty and backwardness, and the earliest attainment of a better life."

"Soviet people take particularly close to heart the destinies of those peoples who build a new society in the most difficult conditions of constant imperialist and hegemonist pressure," Shakirov went on to say. "The policy of active support for Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea is our people's policy."

Addressing the peoples of those countries, the delegate said: "We are with you both in the defence of socialist transformations, in the creative work and in your legitimate aspirations to achieve a lasting democratic peace in Indochina and to put an end forever to the years-long foreign interference in your affairs."

"We shall continue to render support to the peoples who fight for their freedom: This is prompted by our revolutionary conscience, our communist convictions," the speaker emphasized.

On the strength of the experience of Bashkiria (Bashkiria is an autonomous Soviet republic in South Urals area, is part of the Russian Federation. Its population is about four million) where industrial production over the years of Soviet power (1917-1980) increased almost a thousand times over, as well as of the other Soviet socialist republics, we know well that it is not easy to overcome age-old backwardness within historically short periods of time, to build a modern industry and to make culture accessible to masses of people, Shakirov went on to say. Bashkiria has done all this in the united family of the peoples of the USSR under the leadership of the Communist Party.

The delegate of the Bashkir communists expressed an immense gratitude to the Russian people. "Our distant forefathers 425 years ago of their own free will joined the Russian state. For centuries our people has been side by side with the peoples of Russia." "The ideals of the Communist Party have sealed the friendship among all the peoples of the country into an unbreakable alliance. And nowadays the multinational and (?united) Soviet people confidently advances towards the triumph of communism."

Kania Speech

LD241300 Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1125 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Stanislaw Kania, first secretary of the PZPR Central Committee, at the 24 February session of the 25th CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses in Moscow--recorded]

[Text] Greatly esteemed Comrade Brezhnev: Dear comrades: Today the thoughts and emotions of millions of people in the whole world are directed toward Moscow, toward this hall. So it is in Poland as well, so it is in our party. The congresses of the CPSU, of the party created by Lenin, are events of great significance and of world import. They are the forge of the program ideas of the pioneers in the construction of socialism and communism, they outline the prospects for the land of the soviets; they exert a significant influence on the international situation.

On behalf of the PZPR, I wish you, dear comrade delegates, fruitful deliberations; I convey to all members of your party, to the Soviet people, fraternal greetings and words of sincere friendship from Polish communists and from the Polish nation. [applause]

The Soviet Union, its strength and international authority, the material and spiritual achievements of the Soviet nation, its peace policy, are for the world a source of hope and faith in the future. Our history carries important lessons, a rich heritage and traditions of joint struggle of Polish and Russian democrats and revolutionaries. How eminently those traditions are symbolized by Feliks Dzerzhinskiy, the great revolutionary and close comrade of Lenin; Konstanty Rokossowski, a son of workers' Warsaw, a marshal of the two nations. Poles are characterized by a profound love of freedom. We shall always remember that a fervent spokesman for the right of the Polish nation to self-determination was Vladimir Lenin; that twice the road to the building of an independent Polish state was opened by the October Socialist Revolution and its product, the Soviet Union. [applause]

The suffering and courage of our people in the struggle against fascism are known. We are proud of the fact thzt the Polish Army, born in the land of the Soviets, has contributed fine pages to the annals of the Polish-Soviet comradeship-in-arms, by its performances along the fronts of the war.

Today, from the rostrum of the 26th congress, I wish to emphasize as strongly as I can that we will forever preserve the memory of the Soviet Army which liberated our country from Hitlerite occupation. It is thanks to the Soviet Union that an act of historical justice was carried out: Poland returned to its ancient lands, the Odra, the Nysa and the Baltic. Just as Soviet aid in the reconstruction of our devastated country and in its industrialization was invaluable and huge, so today, the all-round cooperation with the Soviet Union is irreplaceable for Poland. We remember the important words of Comrade Leonid Brezhnev: that the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Soviet state have always sincerely wished Poland to be a strong, independent and democratic state. [applause] We Poles are also interested, as interested as can be, in seeing the fraternal Soviet Union strong and prosperous in its international position. In this we see the main guarantee of the security and an important condition of our economic development. [applause] That is why the Polish-Soviet friendship and Polish-Soviet alliance will forever constitute the main foundation of our foreign policy and of our party's special concern.

Dear comrades, it is with attention that we have listened to the report of the CPSU Central Committee. We are impressed by the perspicacity of assessments and of the extent of the scope of this document.

The clarity of the prospects for the future and the awareness of the tasks, characteristic of the proceedings of the 26th CPSU Congress, make one confident that the program to be mapped out by the congress will yield further successes to the communist construction in the Soviet Union, will strengthen the entire socialist community, all forces struggling for freedom of peoples and for peace in the world of today. [applause]

Esteemed comrades: During the entire period of the building of socialism in Poland, we have pulled the country up from the ruins and have achieved historic results in the development of the country's economy, in culture and in the social predicament of society.

The recent period has, however, brought great difficulties and put us face to face with hard tests. The country was swept by a wave of social tensions. We have a dramatically difficult economic situation. An acute political struggle is in progress. We know well that your party and the Soviet people are following with great concern the development of the situation in Poland. We understand the reasons for the interest in and disquiet over Polish problems on the part of other fraternal parties. This has found expression in the Moscow meeting of leading party and state activists of the Warsaw Pact members in December of last year. The situation in Poland, and in connection with Poland, is linked with the security of all socialist countries. The socialist links of friendship are indissoluble, and their defense is both the concern of each state and of the entire socialist coalition. [applause]

The PZPR has a full sense of patriotic and internationalist responsibility for getting the homeland out of the current socioeconomic crisis, for stabilizing the internal situation, for creating favorable conditions for the uninterrupted development of socialism.

It is not socialism which is the cause of our difficulties but the violation of its principles, voluntarist disrespect for the economic laws of socialism, for Leninist norms in party life, the failure to appreciate the class contradictions in society and neglect of ideological matters. All this taken together caused growing worker dissatisfaction; it caused an increase in party criticism. In this situation, our party chose the road of political solution to the social conflict, the road of restoring society's trust in the people's authority, and this is the fundamental direction of our activity.

But let us not forget that, on the wave of social criticism, action is also being taken by forces which do not hide their hostility to socialism; forces which are outright counterrevolutionary, supported by centers of imperialist subversion.

The opponents of socialism are trying to gain control of the new trade unions, to set them up in opposition to our party. They are trying to maintain tensions, to spread anarchy and social agitation. We are determined to do everything essential to oppose these dangerous activities categorically. [applause]

On successive plenary sessions we have adopted a program for a way out of the difficulties, a program for a socialist renewal of social life, the development of socialist democracy, the restoration of the Leninist norms in the life of the party and the consolidation of its leading role.

We fully agree with Comrade Leonid Brezhnev who in his speech at the present congress said that events in Poland testify yet again to how important it is for the party to consolidate its leading role, to give heed to the voice of the people's masses, to wage a determined struggle against all symptoms of bureaucracy and voluntarism, to actively develop socialist democracy, to introduce a well thought out and realistic policy in economic relations with abroad.

We are consistently rebuilding strength and activeness in the party, its bonds with the working man. For months we have been carrying out a great mobilization design to overcome economic difficulties. We act for the political unity of the trade union movement, which is divided in our country. Our work is based on the teachings of Marxism-Leninism. We appeal to the patriotic and internationalist traditions of our party.

This direction of actions of the PZPR is meeting with ever broader social support. The front of the forces of commonsense and civic responsibility is growing and gaining in strength. We will not lack patience in winning over all honest Poles, all patriots to this line. But, on the other hand, we shall not lack determination in combatting enemies in the defense of socialism.

We thank the CPSU and all the Soviet people for their brotherly assistance and support, for understanding our situation and for their faith in our party and nation being able to resolve the Polish problems independently in the spirit of socialism, in conformity with the interests of our country and the entire socialist community.

This is our national and internationalist duty. This is not only fully necessary but it is also realistic.

We wish to assure [interrupted by applause] comrades, we wish to assure you, we wish to assure all our friends that we have enough will and strength to make sure that counter-revolution will fail in Poland. [tumultuous applause]

Poland is and will remain a socialist state, a faithful ally of the community, an unbreakable link in the socialist community. [applause]

It will be an unbreakable link of the political-defensive coalition named after heroic Warsaw. It will actively take part in joint undertakings within the framework of CEMA.

Dear comrades, we are certain the resolutions of the 26th CPSU Congress will bring to your party and the people of the land of the soviets new successes, that they will enrich you all and multiply our common strength.

We are linked by common ideals and common goals. The conditions in which we work today have become more complex.

However, it is precisely this that imparts a particular, historical significance to our unity and our alliance.

In accordance with the Leninist traditon, as always, from the days of the Great October, you have been bearing--in the first rank--the banners of socialism, progress, freedom of peoples and peace.

The Polish United Workers' Party and People's Poland will always be with you in this march toward the future.

Long live the Communist [applause], long live the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, its Leninist Central Committee! [applause]

Let Polish-Soviet friendship, the brotherhood of our parties and the alliance between our states gain strength!

Let our entire socialist community gain strength! [applause]

Moscow on Kania

LD241522 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1330 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Stanislaw Kania, first secretary of the Polish United Workers' Party Central Committee, addressed the congress.

Party congresses, initiated by Lenin, said Comrade Kania, are events on a world scale. They are places where thoughts are forged and where programs for trailblazers in the construction of socialism and communism are drawn up. They determine the prospects for the land of the soviets and exert important influence on the international situation. The clarity of prospects and the understanding of tasks, characteristic of the work of the 26th CPSU Congress, inspire one with confidence that the program the congress will work out will lead to new successes in the construction of communism, strengthening the socialist community and all forces struggling for the freedom of peoples and for peace throughout the world.

And we Poles are fully interested in the strength and prosperity of the fraternal Soviet Union, in the strengthening of its international positions. In this we see the main guarantee of security and an important condition for our own economic development. This is precisely why Polish-Soviet friendship and the Polish-Soviet alliance will forever be the basic principle of our foreign policy and a topic for the party's special attention.

At past plenums of the Central Committee, Comrade Kania said further, we adopted a program for overcoming the difficulties and a program of socialist renewal of society's life, development of socialist democracy, restoration of Leninist norms and strengthening of the party's leading role. We are in complete agreement with Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, who said in his report the events in Poland convince one yet again how important it is for the party and strengthening of its leading role to listen keenly to the voice of the masses, to struggle resolutely against all phenomenons of bureaucratism, voluntarism, to actively develop socialist democracy, to pursue a balanced and realistic policy in foreign economic ties.

We are grateful to the CPSU and to the Soviet people for their fraternal help and support, for their understanding of our situation and their faith that our party and people will be able, on their own [samostoyatelno],to solve Polish problems in the spirit of socialism, in accordance with the interests of the Polish People's Republic and the whole socialist community.

We wish to assure all our friends, Comrade Kania said further, that Poland has been and will remain a socialist state, a faithful ally of the Soviet Union, an unbreakable link in the socialist community, an active participant in the Warsaw Pact.

We are confident, said Comrade Kania in conclusion, that the decisions of the 26th CPSU Congress will become for your party and the peoples of the land of the soviets a source of new successes, that they will enrich all of us and multiply our common strength. We are linked by common ideals and goals.

TASS Reports Kania

LD241950 Moscow TASS in English 2156 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb (TASS)--The Soviet Union, its might and international prestige, the material and spiritual potential of the Soviet people are the source of mankind's hopes and its confidence in future," first secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party Stanislaw Kania said today in his message to the 26th CPSU Congress.

"Important lessons stem from our history which is rich in traditions of the joint struggle of the Polish and Russian democrats and revolutionaries," he went on. "We shall never forget that Vladimir Lenin was a strong supporter of the Polish people's right to self-determination, that the Great October Socialist Revolution and the Soviet Union which it brought into being opened twice the road for the restoration of independent Polish state."

"We, the Poles, are fully interested in the strength and flourishing of the fraternal Soviet Union, in the consolidation of its international positions. We see in this the main guarantee of security and an important condition of our economic development," Stanislaw Kania said. This is precisely why Polish-Soviet friendship and Polish-Soviet alliance will always be a basic principle of our foreign policy and an object of the party's special attention".

"During the time of socialist construction in Poland we restored our country from ruins and reached the historic results in the development of national economy, culture, in the situation of the working people," he went on. "The latest period, however, brought vast difficulties and faced us with heavy trials." Stanislaw Kania stressed that the situation in Poland and around it is directly connected on the security of all socialist countries. The socialist community is indissoluble and its defence is not only a concern of every state but of the entire socialist coalition as well."

Stanislaw Kania went on to say: "It is not socialism that is the reason for our difficulties but the violation of its principles, the voluntaristic disregard of its economic laws, of the Leninist norms in the life of the party, the underestimation of class contradictions in society, neglect of ideological work. All this, taken together, evoked the growing dissatisfaction of the workers, became the reason for the growth of criticism in the ranks of the party."

"In this situation our party chose the road of political solution of the social conflict, the road of the restoration of confidence of society in people's power. This is the main direction of our activity. But we do not lose sight of the fact that the forces which make no secret of their hostility to socialism, the openly counterrevolutionary forces backed by imperialist subversion centres are also riding the tide of public criticism."

The first secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party agreed completely with the assessment of the situation in Poland that General Secretary of the CPSU Central Committee Leonid Brezhnev made in his report at the 26th Congress.

"We are grateful to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and to all Soviet people for fraternal assistance and support, for the understanding of our situation and the confidence that our party and people will be able to decide the Polish problems themselves in the spirit of socialism, in accordance with the interests of our country and of the entire socialist community."

"We wish to assure you, comrades, to assure all our friends that we have enough will and strength to prevent counterrevolution in Poland."

Concluding his message, Stanislaw Kania said:

"Poland was and will remain a socialist state, a true ally of the Soviet Union and an inseparable link in the socialist community. It will be an active participant in the political and defence alliance which had been named after heroic Warsaw, will be an active participant in all joint undertakings in the CMEA framework."

Honecker Address

LD241430 East Berlin Voice of the GDR Domestic Service in German 1213 GMT 24 Feb 81

['Text' of speech by Erich Honecker, general secretary of the SED Central Committee and chairman of the GDR Council of State, at the 24 February session of the 26th CPSU Congress at the Kremlin's Palace of Congresses]

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb (ADN correspondent)--Dear comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, dear comrades:

On behalf of the communists and all workers of the German Democratic Republic I convey warm fraternal fighting greetings to you, the delegates to the 26th CPSU Congress, to all Soviet communists and the entire Soviet people. It is for us a great honor and deep joy to take part in this important event in the life of the party of Lenin. CPSU congresses have always proved to be milestones on the path of the Soviet people to the communist future. They accelerate the worldwide advance of the revolutionary forces, of all peoples striving for peace and progress.

To us it is a great honor and profound joy to participate in this important event in the life of the party of Lenin. CPSU congresses have always proved to be milestones on the road of the Soviet people toward the communist future. They give wings to the worldwide advance of the revolutionary forces of all people aspiring to peace and progress.

We are very impressed and inspired by the magnificent report of the Central Committee to the 26th party congress made by the general secretary of the CPSU, our friend and comrade, Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. Since the 25th party congress the glorious Soviet people have, under the leadership of its Leninist party, accomplished admirable work. A new and striking chapter has thus again been written in the history of the heroism of the work on communist development.

The Soviet Union has entered the eighties with an economic and scientific potential of vast dimensions and a high level of performance capacity. This potential has been considerably increased as a result of the successful continuation of the course of the main task. The realization of the great social program has led to a further rise in the material and cultural living standard of the Soviet people.

Only the developed socialist society of the USSR can develop the riches of Siberia and the far north and thus create important conditions for the triumph of communism.

The pioneer deeds of the Soviet Union in the fields of education, science and culture determine the characteristics of the socialist way of life. The defense power of the USSR has always been and will always be kept at the level necessary for safeguarding socialism and peace.

We heartily share your pleasure, dear Soviet comrades, at all these successes. They are of historic importance not only for the land of Lenin itself but for the entire socialist community, for our joint struggle for peace and progress. The Soviet Union is seen by all to be the strongest bulwark in this struggle and as the guarantor of its triumphant perspectives.

Twenty million sons and daughters of the heroic Soviet people gave their lives in the Great Patriotic War for the victory over Hitlerite Fascism, for the liberation and peaceful future of the peoples. We shall never forget this. If, in the second half of our century, there has been success in breaking through the disastrous succession of world wars and achieving peace in Europe for more than 35 years, then the CPSU and the USSR have the decisive share in this.

We have particular regard for and praise the untiring work, rich in initiative, done by the outstanding continuer of the cause of Lenin, the great pioneer for peace and social progress, the consistent Marxist-Leninist, our friend and comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev.

Dear comrades, the 26th CPSU Congress opens up for the Soviet brother people fresh, bright horizons of communist development. The report and the document on "The Basic Guidelines for the Economic and Social Development of the USSR for 1981-85 and for the Period Through 1990," which the party congress will decide upon, are a visible expression of this. Fresh and powerful stimuli for all spheres of life of Soviet society emanate from this party congress. This is evidence of the creative policy of the party of Lenin and is of extensive theoretical and practical importance. Loyal to the immortal ideas of Red October, the Soviet Union is making the greatest contribution to deepening the fraternal cooperation of our community.

Together with you, dear Soviet friends and comrades, we will continue to progress in order to consolidate socialism and to defend it against all hostile attacks. In view of international developments and the greater demands in the eighties it is all the more clear that the strength of the socialist community of states, the pledge of its successes lies in its unity and cohesion on the basis of the proven principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

Comrades, the 26th CPSU Congress proves convincingly that the USSR is consistently continuing its truly humanist foreign policy based on the peace program of the 24th and 25th party congresses. It is not diverted here either by the policy of confrontation of certain NATO circles, especially the USA, or by the Beijing leaders, who in pursuing their great power, chauvinist, hegemonist intentions, are entering an unholy alliance with the most aggressive forces of monopoly capitalism.

GDR policy, which is aimed at developing normal good-neighborly relations with countries with a different social system, including the FRG, opposes the revanchist doctrines of the alleged "continued existence of the German Reich in the 1937 frontiers," the "open German question" and so on. We seek relations with the Federal Republic of Germany in complete agreement with the coordinated line of the countries of the socialist community, in accordance with the principles of peaceful coexistence and the norms of international law.

The Soviet Union counters the doctrine of war hysteria and the feverish arms race with the program of the consistent struggle for peace and security. The communists, all citizens of the German Democratic Republic, fully support the new, great initiative to secure peace announced by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev from the platform of this party congress.

We are certain that, under the heightened international conditions caused by imperialism, there will be success in achieving fresh progress in the interests of peace.

It is for us all to destroy the most aggressive imperialist circles' every attempt to gain military superiority over socialism and to increase the danger of a nuclear world war. Ending the arms race and supplementing political detente with military detente is of prime importance. The basis of this must be the principle of equality and equal security for all.

What mankind needs and what we support with all our might is the lasting guarantee of peace, fresh and positive results on the path of peaceful coexistence between states with differing social systems.

Dear comrades, loyal to the more than 60-year-old tradition of the German communists, the Socialist Unity Party of Germany steadily consolidates its proven fighting alliance with the party and the land of Lenin. Our parties, states and peoples have become reliable allies, fighting comrades and friends. This fraternal alliance is the foundation of our successes. This has been, is and will always be the case.

Since concluding the treaty on friendship, cooperation and mutual assistance of 7 October 1975 we have arrived at a new stage of our solidarity.

Important work has been done to integrate the national economies of our two countries. An expression of this is the figure--unique in the world--of a foreign trade volume of over R50 billion in the present 5-year period. Perspectives extending far into the future have been marked out in all fields of cooperation. A symbolic climax was the joint flight by the first German and a Soviet cosmonaut, Comrade Sigmund Jaehn and Valeriy Bykovskiy. The long-term program of specialization and cooperation in production through 1990 is evidence of the firm desire and the practical efforts of the GDR and the USSR to use the material and intellectual powers of our countries to an even greater extent in order to solve jointly crucial social and economic tasks.

We can say to our Soviet comrades that the socialist German state of workers and farmers, the German Democratic Republic, today and in the future is fulfilling its responsibility for socialism and peace. In the biggest mass initiative so far in the GDR the communists and all the workers of our country are preparing the 10th Socialist Unity Party of Germany Congress.

The party congress will meet in a few weeks and fix the road ahead in shaping developed socialist society in the German Democratic Republic thus creating fundamental conditions for the gradual transition to communism in the country where Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels were born. The rich wealth of experience of the CPSU will here again be of great use to us.

Dear Comrades, on behalf of the delegation of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, on behalf of the 2.1 million communists of the GDR, I express the deep conviction that creative vigor will flow strongly from the 26th CPSU Party Congress.

This party congress illuminates for the Soviet people the certain path to new heights of communist advancement and points out to the peoples of our planet the path to the future of peace and socialism.

Long live the CPSU, the pioneer of human progress!

Long live the fighting solidarity and indestructible friendship of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and the CPSU, of the peoples of the German Democratic Republic and the USSR!

Long live communism and peace!

Aliyev Speech

LD241946 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1430 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Geydar Aliyev, candidate member of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Azerbaijan Communist Party, at the evening session of the CPSU congress on 24 February, in the Kremlin--recorded]

[Text] Comrades, the 26th congress of the Leninist party, which has been convened at the dividing line between 2 decades, is a new historic landmark on our unbeaten track to the communist heights. The chief result of the path traversed is the maintenance of peace for the creative labor of Soviet people, for the whole of mankind. The Soviet peace program received further development in the CPSU Central Committee report. New, exceptionally important and specific proposals were put forward, directed toward relaxing international tension and confirmation of the principles of peaceful coexistence. For this wise and peace-loving policy the Soviet people sing the praises of, and thanks their own Communist Party. [applause] All people of good will on the earth say: Many thanks to you, dear Leonid Ilich, for peace, for this priceless possession. [applause]

On behalf of the communists and of all working people of Azerbaijan, our delegation wholly approve the propositions and conclusions of the Central Committee report, the domestic and foreign policy of the CPSU, the theoretical and practical activity of the Leninist Central Committee. [applause] We express our unanimous support and approval of the activity of Comrade Leonid Brezhnev, general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee. [applause]

Comrades, the party organization and working people of Azerbaijan, implementing the decisions of the 25th CPSU Congress, achieved good results. The 5-Year Plan was fulfilled in 4 years with regard to the growth of national income. The republic's attainments have been highly appraised by the party and government. The SSR of Azerbaijan was awarded the third Order of Lenin for fulfillment of the 10th 5-Year Plan ahead of schedule. [applause] Our republic was awarded the Red Banner of the CPSU Central Committee, USSR Council of Ministers, AUCCTU and Komsomol Central Committee, for the 11th year running, for results in socialist competition in 1980 and in the 5-year period as a whole. It was with great enthusiasm and profound gratitude that the working people of the republic welcomed the high appraisal of the Azerbaijan Communist Party's activity which was given in the CPSU Central Committee Review Report. [applause]

Nevertheless, we clearly perceive in our work omissions and shortcomings, and unused reserves. The activities of the Central Committee show us the way to a self-critical appraisal of what we have done. It was in just such a spirit that the 30th congress of the Azerbaijan Communist Party was conducted.

The Central Committee guidelines for the congress provide for rapid rates of development of the Azaibaijani economy in the 11th 5-year period. And we give assurance that they will be just as successfully fulfilled. Comrades, in April of last year, we marked, together with all the peoples of our country, the 60th anniversary of the SSR and Communist Party of Azerbaijan. The jubilee was an impressive demonstration of the triumphs of the party's national policy and of the inviolable unity of the fraternal peoples of the USSR. [applause] It should be pointed out that the experience of resolution of the national question, the successes in economic and social development of the nations and nationalities of our country, are of great international significance. Now, when national liberation movements have been powerfully developed, when many people have attained independence, our experience in overcoming the backwardness of centuries, in creating in the very shortest historical periods of time modern economies and cultures acquires even greater value for young national states, particularly for those which have chosen a socialist orientation.

I should like to touch on another matter, too: as Comrade Brezhnev has underlined once again, we do not impose our path toward socialism upon anyone, but neither would we change it for any other. It is justified and confirmed by our entire history. Let no one calumniate it nor build any illusions. Real socialism is created on this very path, and we are convinced that it will lead us to communism. [applause]

Comrades, the program of party action expounded in Comrade Brezhnev's report arouses profound conviction in its realism well-foundedness and farsightedness. It clearly illuminates our path to the future, makes clear the advances of the nineties and of the new, 21st century. There is no doubt that the tasks put forward at the 26th congress will be fulfilled. The Soviet people will celebrate the eighties with new, outstanding attainments. [applause]

We will triumphantly (?aspire) for the communists and working people of Soviet Azerbaijan to march in the front ranks of the struggle for the realization of the congress' outlines, for the triumph of the ideals of communism. [applause]

Further on Aliyev

LD251330 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 0735 GMT 25 Feb 81

[Text] At the evening session of the 26th CPSU Congress on 24 February the floor was given to Comrade Aliyev, first secretary of the Azerbaijan Communist Party Central Committee:

On behalf of the communists and of all the working people of Azerbaijan our delegation wholly approves the provisions and conclusions of the Central Committee report, the domestic and foreign policy of the CPSU, and the theoretical and practical activity of the Leninist Central Committee. We express our unanimous support and approval of the activity of Comrade Brezhnev, general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee.

The delegate dwelt in detail on the successes of the republic in the development of its economy. The work of the Azerbaijan party organization in the sphere of the economy, he said, had its particular features and difficulties. As is known, in the sixties our republic lagged seriously behind the average union level rearding the rate of social and economic development and ranked among the last in the country. The CPSU Central Committee gave us the task of remedying the situation. Today, with a sense of having carried out our duty, we report to the 26th congress that the word that we gave has been kept. Throughout the years of the 9th and 10th 5-Year Plans the economy of Azerbaijan developed at a steady, high rate, outstripping the union average.

The delegate emphasized that the republic's party organizations are taking effectual measures to eliminate the shortcomings and omissions existing in the economy and are bringing reserves more fully to light.

The party program of action set out in Comrade Brezhnev's report, said the first secretary of the Azerbaijan Communist Party Central Committee in conclusion, evokes profound confidence in its practicability, soundness and farsightedness. It brightly illuminates our path into the future. There is no doubt that the tasks put forward by the 26th congress will be fulfilled. The Soviet people will mark the eighties with new, outstanding achievements.

Grishkyavichus Speech

LD242132 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1530 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Grishkyavichus, first secretary of the Lithuanian CP Central Committee at the 24 February session of the CPSU Congress at the Kremlin Hall of Congresses--passages contained within quotation marks recorded]

[Text] "Comrades! In struggling to implement the historic decisions of the 25th CPSU Congress, in the fraternal family of the Soviet peoples the communists and all working people of Soviet Lithuania have approached the 26th congress with a great labor and political upsurge. All the branches of the national economy in the 10th 5-Year Plan advanced along the road of raising the efficiency of production and improving the quality of work. [applause] For all our achievements in building communism, we are deeply grateful for fraternal aid to all the Soviet peoples and primarily to the great Russian people. [applause] for the great concern shown for the affairs and needs of Soviet Lithuania, the communists of the republic have empowered us, the delegates to the 26th party congress, to impart deep cordial gratitude to the CPSU Central Committee and the country's government, and to you personally, dear Leonid Ilich. [applause]

"Soberly assessing what has been achieved, we also clearly see our shortcomings and the opportunities we have failed to use. The criticism expressed in the report we take to apply fully to our republic, too.

"Comrades! A new proof of the constant concern of the party and its Central Committee for raising the living standards of the people is the elaboration, at the personal initiative of Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, of a food program. We are doing everything to implement in the best possible way the whole range of measures directed toward the achievement of the highest results in agriculture and in all the branches which comprise the unified agro-industrial complex."

Comrade Grishkyavichus went on to say:

"The party organization of the republic is doing active work on the further forming of communist ideals among the working people and raising their sociopolitical and labor activitity. The fulfillment of the decision of the CPSU Central Committee on the further improvement of ideological political-educative work has enabled us still more comprehensively and effectively to solve all the most important questions of the education of the new man and the improvement of the socialist way of life. Party propaganda and agitation is taking on a more positive character. We will continue to raise political vigilance and give a resolute rebuff to any instances of extremes of bourgeois morality inspired from abroad, of relapses into bourgeois nationalism and anti-Sovietism, to slanderous attacks by the lackeys of U.S. imperialism and reactionary Lithuanian emigres. We will persistently educate our people to hold firm communist convictions, and inculcate the noble feeling of the friendship of peoples, Soviet interpatriotism [interpatriotizm] and proletarian internationalism.

"Permit me to assure the delegates to the congress, and you personally, dear Leonid Ilich, that the communists and all the working people of Soviet Lithuania will rally still more closely round their own party, its Leninist Central Committee, and will devote all their strength and energy to the cause of implementing the historic decisions of the 26th CPSU Congress. [applause]

More on Grishkyavichus

LD242046 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1600 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Pyatras Grishkyavichus, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Lithuania, at 24 February session of the CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--recorded]

[Text] The delegation of the party organization of Lithuania, on behalf of the republic's communists, fully adheres to the proposals made by the delegates who have already unanimously approved the points and conclusions of the report. [applause]

We report to the congress that the communists and the working people of the republic fully approved the draft of the basic directions of the economic and social development of the country. [applause]

In struggling to implement the historic decisions of the 25th CPSU Congress, in the fraternal family of the Soviet peoples the communists and all the working people of Soviet Lithuania have approached the 26th congress with a great labor and political upsurge. All the branches of the national economy in the 10th 5 Year-Plan advanced along the road of raising the efficiency of production and of improving the quality of work.

During the 5-year period the volume of industrial production increased by nearly 27 percent, including consumer goods by 22 percent. All the national economic projects of the 5 year-plan have been put into operation.

Thanks to the party's wise agrarian policy, and despite the difficulties connected with the extremely unfavorable weather conditions in the last 3 years, the annual average volume of gross agricultural production in the public sector increased by 15 percent. [applause]

We have succeeded in maintaining the highest level of production of stockbreeding produce per capita among the union republics and in fulfilling the 5-year plan tasks for purchasing the majority of types of agricultural production. [applause]

For all our achievements in building communism, we are deeply grateful for fraternal aid to all the Soviet people and, first and foremost, the great Russian people. [applause]

During these difficult years for agriculture we, like the other Soviet republics, have constantly felt the fatherly concern of the party and their support and assistance for fodder and certain foodstuffs. For this generous assistance, and for the great concern for the affairs and the need of Soviet Lithuania, the communists of the republic have instructed us, the delegates of the 26th party congress, to convey their profound and cordial gratitude to the CPSU Central Committee, the government of the country, and to you, dear Leonid Ilich, personally. [applause]

Comrades! A new testimony to the constant concern of the party and its Central Committee for raising the living standards of the people is the elaboration, at the personal initiative of Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, of the food program. We are doing everything to implement in the best possible way a whole range of measures directed toward achieving the highest results in agriculture and in all branches which comprise the unified agroindustrial complex. [applause]

Shevardnadze Speech

LD242114 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1530 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Report on speech by Eduard Shevardnadze, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Georgian CP at the 24 February session of the CPSU Congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--passages within quotation marks recorded]

[Text] "We report with joy and pride: The promise made to the 25th congress has been fulfilled by the republic. [applause] In his report, Leonid Ilich Breshnev gave a high assessment of the work of the Georgian Communist Party in the field of socioeconomic development. Your assessment, dear Leonid Ilich, is a very great stimulus for the communists. In words of deep gratitude, we move along the road of increasing the republic's conribution to the achievements of the whole union. The republic is now prospering. The key to this is the concern and assistance rendered to us by the Central Committee, the government and Leonid Ilich Brezhnev."

Comrade Shevardnadze went on to dwell in detail on the problems which the communists of Georgia have to solve in the 11th 5-Year Plan period. One of these is improving party management in the development of the republic's productive capacities. In conclusion, Comrade Shevardnadze said:

[Moscow Domestic Service in Russian at 1600 GMT on 24 February carries a report on Shevardnadze's speech which is identical except that it carries the following passage in place of the above two paragraphs:

["The Communist Party of Georgia considers their first task to be to conduct all their activity to fulfilling the demands of the Central Committee and of Leonid Ilich Brezhnev in such a way that everywhere and in everything the sacred principles of justice, honesty, humanity, modesty and Leninist party principles will triumph [applause] so that the supreme authority of labor, profound democracy and conscious discipline, the great responsibility toward our powerful ally, should become the hallmark of the communists of the republic."]

"Comrades: Leonid Ilich Brezhnev's report is a landmark of the present day. It represents not only an epoch-making document, but also a living organism, with all its cells connected to each member of our society. It seems that this living organism has taken unto itself all the qualities of its author, its creator, our wise leader, that great revolutionary Leninist, Leonid Ilich Brezhnev--scientific depth, unswerving sense of purpose, limitless optimism and realism, wide scope and class principledness, love for mankind, sagacity, and the force, the great force, of truth. Leonid Ilich's report represents the thoughts and longings of all our Soviet people. [applause]

"Between that great charter of labor, of struggle, of prospects, and that which certain leaders of the other world call a program document, there is a distance as great as between the earth and the sky. Here: peace, freedom, democracy and faith in the future. There: the arms race, reaction, and no way out.

"Comrades: Tomorrow is the 60th anniversary of the occasion when Sergo Ordzhinikidze sent a telegram to the Kremlin: The Red Banner is waving gloriously here. Long live Soviet Georgia: [applause] In writing this telegram, the legendary Sergo was looking to the future, and clearly foresaw the Georgia of today. The devotion to that Lenin banner, the nationalities policy of the party, the fraternal friendship of the peoples, have led to the rebirth of our land. We celebrate our jubilee in May, and May with us is when the roses are in bloom. I invite all of you, dear comrades [applause] and of course it is our pleasant duty to invite the delegate to our congress, the deeply esteemed and deeply loved Leonid Ilich Brezhnev.

"In 2 years we will celebrate the 200th anniversary of merging with Russia. (Akaki Tereteli), our great forefather, thinking of the future of his people, told the rising generation: Go together with the Russians into young Russia.

The dream came true. Russia (?offered us friendship) and itself became an inextinguishable beacon. Together with Russia, led by Russia and the great Russian people, together with the socialist community, the active creators of a socialist civilization, this light is the symbol of the future. This light illuminates the report of Leonid Ilich. The light of the future, faith in the future, has shone in this historic hall. We communists learned from Lenin to dream, and the dream leads to the future, to our future, we delegates of the congress. Honor and glory to it!"

More on Shevardnadze

LD242108 Moscow TASS in English 2023 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb, TASS--Speaking at the 26th CPSU Congress today, Eduard Shevardnadze, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Georgia, stressed the importance of the congress's decisions for the further development of the Soviet Union in the eighties.

The Communist Party of Georgia can report good achievements to the congress, said Eduard Shevardnadze. The rates of industrial growth in the past five-year period (1976-1980) amounted to 41 percent, agricultural output increased by 34 percent. The five-year program of construction and assembly work was implemented ahead of schedule. The republic has kept its word given to the 25th party congress; the first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Georgia pointed out.

He stressed that the Georgian communists regard the accomplishments as the first steps on the path towards increasing the republic's contribution to the property of the whole country.

The Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee gives much attention and concern to Georgia's development problems, Eduard Shevardnadze pointed out. The high rates of the development of Georgia's national economy will remain in the 11th five-year period (1981-1985). The same trend will continue in the 12th five-year period, the speaker pointed out.

The speaker said that both traditional and new types of transport develop in the territory of Georgia. For the first time in world practice functioning in Georgia is large-size pneumatic container transport. Ropeways and monorails are being built. It is necessary, however, to increase the throughput capacity of the trunklines linking the republic with the central part of the country. It is also expedient to expand the capacities of the food industry and set up agroindustrial complexes in the republic.

Soviet power was established in Georgia sixty years ago, Eduard Shevardnadze said in conclusion. The CPSU's Leninist nationalities policy, brotherhood and friendship of the USSR peoples resulted in the true revival of the land.

Husak Address

LD241623 Prague Domestic Service in Czech and Slovak 1435 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Gustav Husak, general secretary of the CPCZ Central Committee and head of the Czechoslovak delegation to the 26th CPSU Congress, on 24 February in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--live]

[Text] Dear comrades, delegates, dear Soviet friends, esteemed guests: I am sincerely pleased to be able, on behalf of the delegation of the CPCZ, communists and all our people, to convey to you, delegates to the 26th CPSU Congress--and through you to the entire Leninist party and the fraternal Soviet people--our cordial and comradely greetings. [applause]

We listened with the greatest attention to the report of the CPSU Central Committee delivered by the general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee and chairman of the USSR Supreme Soviet Presidium, Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. It is a document of great historical significance, not only for the Soviet people and the entire socialist community but also for the international communist and workers movement and for the forces of socialism, progress and peace in the world. The document provides a clear answer to the most pressing questions now concerning all mankind.

Dear comrades, we sincerely congratulate you on the successes you have achieved in the implementation of the line of the 25th CPSU Congress in all spheres of Soviet society, in increasing industrial and agricultural production, in the further development of Soviet science, technology and culture, in incessantly improving the material and cultural standards of life of the Soviet people. [applause] We express our deep admiration for the Soviet people who--under the leadership of the CPSU--create the material-technological foundations of a communist society. The path you are following is a pioneering path. It is a path opened by the Great October and mankind is lucky that nobody can divert your party and the Soviet people from this path. [applause] You are fulfilling with honor this historical and vanguard mission belonging to you in the great class struggle for the victory of the forces of socialism and peace. [applause]

Every congress of the CPSU is a rich source of experience. From these experiences lessons are learned by the entire international communist and workers movement, all real revolutionaries all over the world. We are convinced that the 26th congress of our party, too, will become a new and important contribution to Marxist-Leninist teaching. The daring perspectives for the further development of Soviet society, which you are discussing at the congress, point out the path into the future not only for the Soviet people--they will become a new source of certainties and inspiration and a reliable support and hope for all working people, all nations fighting for freedom and independence. They [the perspectives] are further convincing testimony to the fact that the highest goals of socialism and communism are in the happy and peaceful life of the working man, and in the ever more complete satisfaction of his needs. [applause]

Your deliberations provide new and important stimuli for the development of the countries of the socialist community, for further strengthening their unity, and for deepening mutual cooperation. The foreign-political program of the 26th CPSU Congress confirms clearly the continuity of the consistent Leninist peace policy of your great country. It is new and powerful testimony to the irreplaceable role of the Soviet Union in the fight of nations for ensuring world peace and averting the threat of war.

The Czechoslovak communists and all people of our country highly praise this consistent and principled policy of the Soviet Union. We sincerely appreciate the personal contribution made by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev to the detailing and implementation of this policy. [applause] The people of our country know the price of peace and fully support the endeavor of the Soviet Union for its strengthening and the new and concrete proposals yesterday put forward by Comrade Brezhnev. Alongside the Soviet Union and together with the other states of the socialist community and all progressive, democratic and peace forces in the world, we want to make an active contribution to this historical struggle. [applause]

We reject the policy of the most reactionary forces of imperialism, above all the United States, which does not want to accept the positive changes in the world and seeks to create and aggravate international tension. We take an equally resolute stance against the great-power hegemonist policy of the Beijing leaders, a policy hostile to socialism and peace.

It is of invaluable importance for the cause of peace in the world that--thanks to the creation of the first socialist state--the great economic and military power and the great international authority of the Soviet Union is becoming the most reliable guarantee of peace, peaceful life, social justice, freedom and independence of nations. [applause] This is the most decisive obstacle breaking up the aggressive intentions of imperialism.

That is why imperialism is so obstinately trying to weaken the position of the Soviet Union in current world affairs. Its striving to disturb the balance, the existing balance of power, and to gain military supremacy has no prospects for success. [applause] Such efforts to weaken the international prestige won by the Soviet Union by virtue of its principled Leninist peace policy are in vain. Equally vain are the repeated attempts by international reaction at disturbing the unity of the countries of the socialist commumity or even at uprooting any one of them from the family of socialist states. [applause]

Esteemed comrades, in our homeland too, preparations for the 16th CPCZ congress are culminating during these weeks. The congress will set new tasks on the path of building an advanced socialist society. Our congress is taking place in the year of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the CPCZ. We pride ourselves on the fact that our party was born under the influence of the Great October Socialist Revolution; that from the ideas of the great and grand Lenin it drew its revolutionary strength; and that it was on their basis that it strengthened its ranks and led class struggle with the Czechoslovak bourgeoisie, led the national liberation struggle of the Czechs and Slovaks against fascism, as well as led the struggle for the victory of the socialist revolution. In its entire activity it has been supported by the rich experience and help of the Soviet communists, walking hand in hand in a close alliance with the CPSU. [applause] The relations between the parties and peoples of the two fraternal countries are developing on the reliable basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, of common aims and interests in building socialist and communism, as well as in the joint struggle for peace and social progress. The CPCZ is approaching its 16th congress ideologically and organizationally firm and unified. The policy of the party enjoys the wide support and trust of our people which, under its leadership, successfully fulfills through its everyday devoted labor the general line of building an advanced socialist society set by the 14th and the 15th congresses of our party. The results of the past period have confirmed that this general line is correct and that it is in full accord with the inate interests of the Czechoslovak people. We will consistently build on its also at the 16th congress in setting the tasks of our policy for the eighties.

The 5-year period after the 15th party congress, which we are now assessing, has been successful. We succeeded in fulfilling the set aims of economic and social development in the main directives. However, we had to overcome a number of problems and difficulties in our work. The years to come also will not be easy. In the forefront of our attention remains questions of increasing the efficiency and quality of all work, the extensive implementation of scientific, scientific technological knowledge, and improvement in planning and managing the national economy.

Esteemed comrades, in its activities our party will continue actively to participate in strengthening the unity of the international communist and workers movement in order to contribute to the continual strengthening of its influence in world affairs, to further strengthening positions of socialism, progress and peace in the world. [applause]

In concluding my address, allow me to wish the Soviet communists and all the Soviet people every success in the deliberations of the 26th party congress, as well as new successes in implementing its conclusions. Long live the CPSU! [applause] Long live and continually strengthen the unshakable friendship and all-round cooperation between the Communist Parties of Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union and between the peoples of our fraternal countries! [prolonged applause]

Kadar Speech

LD241952 Budapest MTI in English 1728 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Janos Kadar, first secretary of the MSZMP Central Committee, at the 24 February session of the 26th CPSU congress in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses]

[Text] Budapest, 24 Feb (MTI)--Dear comrades, on behalf of the delegation of the Hungarian Socialist Workers Party, I have the honor to greet the delegates and all participants of the 26th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. I wish great success to the highly important work of the congress, which will inspire and fill with fresh strength the people fighting for the cause of socialism and peace all over the world. Let me convey to you, and through you, to the communism-building great Soviet people, the fraternal greetings and best wishes of the Hungarian communists and the socialism-building Hungarian people.

Dear comrades, we were deeply impressed by the report of the Central Committee read by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. From the work of the Lenin-founded party and the Soviet people, who loyally follow their revolutionary vanguard, immense political, economic and cultural results have been born. It is to be seen that implementation of the resolutions of the 25th congress has considerably increased the internal stability, the economic and scientific strength, defence potential and international prestige and influence of the Soviet Union. The objectives of the 11th Five-Year Plan imply [word indistinct] decade will constitute another important stage of broadening the material-technical basis of communism. Developing the social conditions, improving the living conditions of the people and shaping the new man. On behalf of the Hungarian communists, I sincerely congratulate our Soviet friends on these great results and wish them success in the realization of their plans of shaping a communist future.

Comrades, in compliance with the explicit intentions of extreme imperialist circles, and in the wake of concrete steps by leading NATO circles, the process of detente has come to a halt lately, the international situation has become tenser, the voices of the cold war era are heard once again, anti-Sovietism and anti-communism are reaching a high-tide. Unfortunately, the present foreign policy of the Chinese leaders is also playing to the hands of the cold-warriors.

The imperialists, misinterpreting words, call the policy of peaceful coexistence a one-way street, slander the internal and foreign policy of the Soviet Union and the other socialist countries, and accuse with terrorism the peoples who fight for their freedom. What it really is all about is that the laws of development of human society are not decided by the subjective will of individuals. The oppressed want to get freedom, the peoples will not give up their national independence and legitimate rights, mankind is not willing to dig its own grave for the sake of the profit of monopolies that are earning milliards on armament.

The intentions and efforts of the Soviet Union are clear and unambiguous. History proved on untold occasions that the Soviet Union, which guards the security of its allies and its own, is the support of the forces struggling for progress and national independence and is the guardian of the peace of peoples. In his address to congress, Comrade Brezhnev put forward new proposals and initiatives of utmost importance, which we fully espouse. The proposals have once again proved that the Soviet Union is ready to act to [word indistinct] international security. For these activities the Soviet Union enjoys the respect of the peoples.

Dear comrades, in the present situation the responsibility felt for the shared cause and the internationalist unity based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism, of the independently working communist and workers' parties have special significance. On its part the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party seeks to promote it. The cooperation of the communists and all the progressive peace-loving forces can and will help to halt the armament hysteria and frustrate the repressive manoeuvres of the imperialists.

Comrades, the Hungarian people approve the resolutions of the 11th Congress of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party held last March, and support their implementation with actions. We are progressing on the well-tested path of Lenin, on the path of socialism and peace. One with the party, in socialist unity, and under the circumstances of broadening and deepening socialist democracy, our people is having success in building advanced socialist society. We are aware that we still have many and complex problems to overcome. But we are looking ahead into the future in confidence because we trust in the creative powers of the working people, who consciously regard as theirs the cause of socialism.

Both in our building work and in our general international activity we rely on the immense power of the socialist community, the Warsaw Treaty Organization and the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance. We are widening our relations with the developing countries and, at observance of the honest norms of peaceful coexistence we are ready to expand the mutually beneficial relations also with the advanced capitalist countries. The chief (?aim) of our foreign political endeavours--together with our allies--is to halt the armament race, to reduce tension, to protect peace and create a more peaceful world. As the appropriate way in Europe, we consider the continuation of the (?good) start we made in Helsinki. In this context we wish a constructive end to the running Madrid discussions in the interest of all participants.

Dear comrades, in tight cooperation with the fraternal socialist countries, we attach special significance to the many-sided relations between the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Hungarian and the Soviet peoples, to their indissoluble friendship, in whose strengthening Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, outstanding warrior of the Soviet and international communist movement, the (?honoured) and true friend of our people, has undying merits. The Hungarian communists, our people's guard, carefully foster and further deepen the historic Hungarian-Soviet friendship.

The Soviet Union and the Hungarian People's Republic, the peoples of the countries in the socialist community are tied together by the identity of our goals and fundamental interests. Our joys and concerns are also common. We all are aware that our unity, our cooperation multiply our power. Therefore all our efforts are centered at its expansion. During the recent months, many of us have given much thought to the events in Poland. Our enemies would like to see the positions of socialism weakened. Our party and the Hungarian people sympathize with the Polish fraternal party, with the Polish supporters of socialism. We trust that under the guidance of the Poish United Workers' Party, the Polish people will find the socialist answer to cope with the present difficult situation. As our Polish comrades also put it: Poland was a member of the family of the socialist countries and will remain so.

Dear comrades, Soviet friends, all the work of congress so far has given splendid evidence that the contemporary generation of Soviet communists is worthy successor of the Leninist generation of the Bolsheviks, and that the Soviet people carry forward successfully the glorious cause of the Great October.

On behalf of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party and the Hungarian people, I wish new outstanding success to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, to the fraternal Soviet people in building communist society, implementing the resolutions of the 26th congress and in defending peace.

Long live the fraternal Soviet people and its glorious Communist Party!

Long live the indissoluble friendship of the Hungarian and the Soviet peoples!

Long live communism and peace!

Moscow on Kadar

LD241900 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1530 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] At the afternoon session today, a greeting was delivered by Janos Kadar, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers Party.

A deep impression was made on us by the CPSU Central Committee report read by Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, said Janos Kadar. In the course of fulfilling the decisions of the 25th CPSU Congress, the unity within the party has been considerably consolidated, there have been increases in the economic potential, defense capability, international standing and influence of the Soviet Union. It is clear from the outlines of 11th Five-Year Plan, that the decade now beginning will be a new important stage in the matter of creating the material and technical base of communism, the development of social relations, improvement of the population's living conditions and the molding of the new person.

Comrade Kadar went on to say that the unconcealed aims of extremist imperialist forces and specific steps by the leading circles of NATO led to the process of detente being halted in recent years. The international situation has worsened. Again we hear the voices which we know from the days of the cold war. Anti-Sovietism and anticommunism have intensified. Unfortunately, fuel is being added to the flames lit by the supporters of the cold war by the current foreign policy of the Chinese leaders.

The imperialists are distorting the true sense of words, declare the policy of peaceful coexistence to be a one-way street, slander the internal and foreign policy of the USSR and the socialist countries and level accusations of terrorism against peoples struggling for their freedom. The intentions and aims of the Soviet Union are precise and clear, stressed Comrade Kadar. History has repeatedly proved that the USSR stands in defense of its own security and that of its allies and is a support for forces struggling for progress and national independence, and at the same time defends world peace. Here at the congress, Comrade Brezhnev put forward new proposals and initiatives of great significance, with which we, for our part, are in full agreement. They again confirm that the USSR is ready to facilitate by deeds the consolidation of international security and the preservation of peace.

Comrade Kadar went on to say that, closely cooperating with the fraternal countries, we attach particular significance to the multifarious links and inviolable friendship between the MSZMP and CPSU, between the Hungarian and Soviet peoples. Particular services to the cause of strengthening this friendship have been rendered by that outstanding activist of the Soviet and international communist movement and true friend of our people, the deeply esteemed Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. Hungarian communists and our working people preserve, carefully guard, and constantly deepen the historic Hungarian-Soviet friendship.

Zhivkov Speech

AU242040 Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian 1830 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Todor Zhivkov, BCP Central Committee first secretary and State Council chairman, to the 24 February session of the 26th CPSU Congress at the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--recorded]

[Text] Dear Soviet brothers and sisters, I am happy to take the floor at this high and most authoritative communist rostrum in order to convey to you, the delegates to the 26th CPSU Congress, and through you to all Soviet communists and to the great Soviet people, the fraternal greetings and good wishes of the BCP and of all Bulgarians. [applause]

Today, the eyes of the communists and of progressive people from all countries and continents are again turned to Moscow. The 26th CPSU Congress is now the most prominent and most important political event in the world. Its decisions are being awaited by the peoples with faith and hope. [applause]

We heard the remarkable theoretical and political analysis in the report by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, the loyal son of the Soviet people, worthy continuer of the ideas and cause of the great Lenin and also one of the most eminent figures of the international communist and workers movement. [applause] Now we can say that the peoples have good grounds to be optimistic. The building of the first communist society in the world, in the Soviet Union, is continuing with even greater scope and confidence. The peace program elaborated by the 24th and 25th CPSU Congresses, and also enriched by the 26th CPSU Congress, will continue to steadily be implemented even under the new international conditions which have been complicated by imperialism. [applause]

We, the Bulgarian communists, are proud of the great successes which the Soviet Union has achieved in its socioeconomic and cultural development, as well as in raising the Soviet people's living standards. We can see how the labor, the free socialist labor, and creativeness of the Soviet people has created a tremendous material-production base and culture. The USSR has become the vanguard of contemporary social progress, and it is gradually and steadily coming closer to the communist social system--the future order of mankind. [applause]

We can see how in USSR social life the essence, principles and advantages of the socialist way of life, of socialist democracy and of socialist morality are more and more brightly expressed. We can also see how the new socialist personality of the Soviet man is shaping up in an ever more powerful and splendid manner. This socialist personality is confident in the future, optomistic, developed in a comprehensive way, and is also diligent and internationally oriented. This is the same Soviet man who has for seven decades waved high the banner of revolution, the banner of real socialism and the banner of world peace. [applause]

Imperialism, and primarily U.S. imperialism, has exacerbated the international situation and is carrying out a course of confrontation and tension. The present Chinese leadership, which is burning with impatience to see the establishment of a world counter-revolutionary front against the USSR and the socialist countries, and which welcomes every action and word directed against detente, is particularly zealous in its anti-Soviet and antisocialist activity.

The efforts of the imperialists and their assistants to talk with the Soviet Union and the socialist countries from positions of strength and unilateral advantages, are in vain. This policy has not and cannot have either any success or any future. We are in favor of peace and detente, and we remain consistent fighters for detente, disarmament and cooperation. However, we will not concede to any pressure or blackmail. We are in position to defend and will defend the interests and security of our peoples and of our socialist community. [applause]

Dear comrades, the BCP is just facing its 12th congress. The balance sheet which will be presented to the people is a worthy and enjoyable one. In the 35 years since the victory of the socialist revolution in Bulgaria, we have had to meet grave difficulties. There were difficulties even during the past 5 years. There will also be some difficulties in the future. The difficulties, however, can be overcome. They remain behind us. However, also behind us remains the Bulgaria which has been created by us into a socialist country with a substantial material-technical base, with a workers class, farmers and intelligentsia, politically matured people who are convinced of the justice of our communist cause and of the correctness of the road along which the BCP is leading our motherland, as well as with a young generation to whom we, the builders of socialism, will pass over the banner of communist building with good faith and hope. [applause]

We regard the future confidently and calmly. Our national independence and socialist way of life are guaranteed by our participation in the Warsaw Pact. Our participation in CEMA ensures broad possibilities for our development and prosperity. Bulgaria's national interests and our patriotism are in full harmony with our obligations and our conscience as socialist and proletarian internationalists, as well as with our duty to be in solidarity with people struggling for freedom, independence, peace and social progress. [applause]

I take the opportunity of speaking from this high rostrum to express our gratitude to the communists and peoples of the fraternal socialist countries, and to assure them that by relying on the union and cooperation with them, the People's Republic of Bulgaria will continue to develop in a stable, dynamic and successful manner along the path toward building a mature socialist society, and will be, as before, a strong link in the world socialist community. [applause]

We wish to assure our comrades in ideas and in arms that the BCP will always be loyal to proletarian internationalism, and will be a loyal Marxist-Leninist detachment of the international communist and workers movement. [applause]

We wish to assure the people who are building and defending their new life now, and also the people who are fighting against imperialism and reaction, for independence and progress, that they can continue to rely on the solidarity and support of their brother--the Bulgarian people. [applause]

While fulfilling the errand of the Bulgarian communists and the willpower of all Bulgarians, we wish from this rostrum to again strongly declare that there is and can be no power in this world that can separate or set in opposition the BCP and the CPSU, the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Soviet Union. [applause]

Bulgaria is not a big country. The Bulgarian shoulder, however, is a strong, loyal and reliable one. This shoulder--the fraternal shoulder of the Bulgarian communists and of all Bulgarians--will always and under any circumstances be next to the shoulder of the Soviet communists and Soviet people--to your reliable shoulder, dear Soviet brothers and sisters. [applause]

Glory to the great Leninist party, the party which traced the path toward the communist future of mankind!

Long live the USSR, the stronghold of peace, democracy and social progtess in the world!

May the fraternal family of the peoples from the socialist community be consolidated and prosper!

Long live peace!

Long live communism! [applause]

French Party's Plissonnier

LD242344 Moscow TASS in English 2336 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Moscow, 24 Feb TASS--We highly appreciate the contribution to the preservation and consolidation of peace made by socialist countries, particularly the Soviet Union which insistently works for the continuation of detente, peaceful coexistence and international solidarity, said Gaston Plissonnier, a member of the Politbureau and a secretary of the French Communist Party Central Committee, speaking at the 26th CPSU Congress. "The new initiatives of the USSR in favour of an end to the arms race and primarily the initiatives made at the congress by Leonid Brezhnev correspond to the interests of the working people and of peace."

"As usual, the congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union attracts close attention everywhere. The French communists watch the development of the Soviet socialist society with a feeling of sympathy", Gaston Plissonnier continued.

"Leonid Brezhnev's report gives a broad picture of the Soviet reality. We welcome your successes," the French Communist Party representative said. "Some of them are striking, they put your country to the first place in the world in various spheres. Under the guidance of the CPSU, the Soviet Union continues its advance."

We take a great interest in how the USSR solves problems brought about by the development of socialist society in the new and complicated situation, Gaston Plissonnier went on to say. The past five years were a new stage in the USSR's economic growth.

"The congress centres its work on measures to ensure further advance in the field of science and technology, the growth of production and efficiency. This orientation promotes consolidation of the main achievements--the ever-increasing fulfilment of the social and cultural needs of the people and the growing participation of the working people in all spheres of social life."

"The French reality," Gaston Plissonnier said, "is absolutely different. We are faced with a global crisis affecting all spheres of our society--economic, social, political and moral."

"Hence the growing difficulties of the working people: mass unemployment, price increases, uncertainty about tomorrow," he added. "Hence the encroachment of democratic and trade unions freedoms."

Gaston Plissonnier concluded by saying that "there are active relations of fraternity and solidarity existing between our two parties." Long traditions and the numerous trials we have jointly stood have moulded this strong friendship, he stressed. In the interests of our peoples and of peace and socialism, we are working to further develop the relations between the FCP and the CPSU on the new basis determined by our parties' meeting in 1980.

Ceausescu Address

AU241822 Bucharest Domestic Service in Romanian 1700 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Nicolae Ceausescu, RCP secretary general, at the 26th CPSU Congress on 24 February in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--recorded]

[Text] [Prolonged applause] Esteemed comrades, I have the great pleasure of participating in the proceedings of the 26th CPSU Congress--a historic event in the life of Soviet communists and society--and extending warm greetings and a message of communist friendship and solidarity to the congress delegates and the USSR peoples on behalf of the RCP, all the Romanian people and myself personally. [applause]

I have closely followed the report of the CPSU Central Committee presented at the congress by Comrade Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, who depicted the outstanding achievements attained by the Soviet Union working people in all fields of activity and the prospects for the country's socioeconomic development in the 1981-85 period. As close friends, we rejoice in the great achievements attained by Soviet peoples, under CPSU leadership, in developing the economy, science and culture and raising the people's living standard. We wish you, dear comrades, new successes in building socialism and communism in your fatherland. [applause]

We appreciate with particular satisfaction the upward course of relations of close friendship and solidarity between the RCP and CPSU, and between our countries and peoples, based on principles of scientific socialism, Marxism-Leninism, full equality, mutual esteem and respect, noninterference in domestic affairs and mutual comradely assistance. The ever more powerful development of Romanian-Soviet friendship, cooperation and solidarity in the future serves the progress and well-being of the peoples in both countries and the cause of socialism and peace in the world. [applause]

Esteemed comrades, it is a fact that the force and influence of socialism, as well as its greater prestige in the world, are determined by the way in which each communist party acts, under the actual conditions prevailing in its country, to implement the overall truths of scientific socialism and the revolutionary materialist-dialectical concept about the world and life.

Acting under RCP leadership, the Romanian people concluded the 1976-80 5-year plan with good results, and have embarked upon carrying out the tasks of the second stage of the party program to build the comprehensively developed socialist society and to ensure Romania's progress toward communism. This program provides for continuing the steady development of the forces of production--on the basis of powerfully asserting the scientific-technological revolution--for attaining a profound agricultural revolution and for raising the people's overall level of well-being and civilization.

We pay great attention to continuously improving the organization and leadership of society, developing socialist democracy, strengthening workers self-management and self-administration and expanding the democratic framework for the active participation of the workers class, peasantry and all working people in drafting and implementing the party-state policy and leading the society. The democracy we are building in Romania is superior to any bourgeois democracy, since it is based on the people, and serves only the people and their freedom and happiness.

Here is an example of this democracy: We held the agricultural congress a few days ago. Over 11,000 peasants and agricultural workers and experts participated in the congress, and discussed and approved the new 5-year plan to develop agricultural production. In May, we will hold the congress of the Working People's Councils in Industry, which will also be attended by over 11,000 delegates who will discuss and adopt ways and means to carry out the tasks of the new 5-year plan. Hence, all our people directly participate in consciously molding their socialist and communist destiny.

The role of the party as the leading political force in society continues to increasingly assert itself, this being a guarantee of the victory of socialism, detente and peace. All the people, fully united within the Socialist Unity and Democracy Front [SDUF], unswervingly implement the program to build the comprehensively developed socialist society in Romania.

Esteemed comrades, the international situation is particularly complex and serious. A state of particular tension has been reached. New conflicts and states of tension have emerged, something which poses great dangers to the peace and security of all mankind. At the same time, the struggle of peoples and democratic and progressive forces has increased and intensified against the imperialist and neocolonialist policy, and for national independence and peace. The current world situation demands strengthening solidarity and cooperation among socialist countries and progressive forces to prevent the aggravation of international life and to resume the policy of detente, cooperation and peace.

Romania is actively participating in resolving the great problems facing mankind, on which world peace and security depend, and strengthening trust and cooperation among nations. We are broadly developing cooperation and collaboration with socialist countries, particularly neighboring socialist countries; and we pay particular attention to relations with our great neighbor and friend the Soviet Union. [applause]

Romania is determined to continue to make its full contribution to cooperation with CEMA, in order to meet the requirements for raw and other materials, energy, machine tools and modern technologies of member countries, so that the activity of this organization is a real model of equitable relations of fruitful cooperation between free and sovereign socialist countries, and gives new impetus to the victory of socialism and communism in our countries.

We are also developing cooperation with the Warsaw Pact member countries, with a view to defending ourselves against any kind of imperialist aggression. We are also expanding cooperation with other socialist countries and developing and nonaligned nations. In the spirit of peaceful coexistence, we are developing relations with all countries, regardless of social system.

We firmly base our relations on the principles of full equality of rights, respect for national independence and sovereignty, noninterference in the domestic affairs of other states and nonuse of force and the threat of force. We are consistently working to generally introduce these principles in international life.

The primary topical concerns of peoples are the following: to halt the arms race, which has acquired huge proportions, one could even say catastrophic proportions; to proceed to disarmament, primarily nuclear disarmament; and to ensure the peace and right to life and security of all peoples on our planet. [applause]

In this respect, we welcome the proposals included in Comrade Brezhnev's report concerning strengthening trust, disarmament and the start of negotiations to resolve all contentious problems. In order to ensure peace, detente and disarmament, we believe that everything possible should be done to halt the arms race and attain a balance of power not by increasing but by continuously decreasing the arms race, until the complete elimination of armaments is achieved. This is the key prerequisite to ensuring world peace, social progress and social and communist construction. [applause]

We pay particular attention to questions concerning European security. We act to give a positive course of the current Madrid meeting, so that it can conclude with constructive results, in the interest of peace and security in Europe, and can stimulate the efforts to uniformly implement the documents signed in Helsinki. We believe that everything possible should be done to agree on convening a conference on enhancing trust and ensuring disarmament on the continent. It is also necessary to ensure the continuation of the Helsinki conference, by holding new, similar meetings.

We firmly speak out for eliminating the policy of force, establishing an overall peace in the Middle East, ending the Iran-Iraq conflict and resolving all problems and conflicts between states through peaceful negotiations. We consistently act to eliminate underdevelopment, still prevailing in a large part of the world, to remove gaps between states and to establish a new world economic order.

We believe that a very important role in determining the course of contemporary development and establishing peace and understanding among nations devolves on the peoples and broad people's masses, which must have a more resolute say and strengthen their solidarity and cooperation in the struggle for detente, social progress and peace. The RCP consistently acts to develop relations of friendship and solidarity with all communist and workers parties, and to strengthen their unity and cooperation on the basis of equality, mutual respect and each party's right to independently decide its political line and revolutionary strategy and tactics.

We also promote broad cooperation with communist [as heard] and social-democratic parties, other democratic parties, national liberation movements and all progressive and anti-imperialist forces, in the belief that the solidarity of all these forces is very important for attaining detente and peace.

Dear comrades, in conclusion I wish full success to the congress proceedings, and new and great achievements to the USSR peoples along the bright path of communism and peace. I also wish for strengthening friendship and cooperation between our parties and countries, to the benefit of the progress of our peoples and in the interest of peace and cooperation in the world. [applause]

Long live friendship and cooperation between the RCP and CPSU, and between our peoples and countries. [applause]

May the cooperation and solidarity of communist and workers parties and all revolutinary, democratic and anti-imperialist forces strengthen and develop. [applause]

May the cause of socialism, cooperation and peace triumph throughout the world. [prolonged applause]

Radio Commentator Speech

LD241850 Moscow Domestic Service in Russian 1400 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Speech by Nikolay Shishlin, Moscow radio commentator, at 24 February session of the CPSU Congress, in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses--recorded]

[Text] At this morning's session the rostrum of the 26th congress was placed at the disposal not only of delegates but also to its visitors; Comrades Fidel Castro, Stanislaw Kania, Le Duan and Erich Honecker addressed the delegates.

Assessing the speeches made by the leaders of the fraternal parties on the basis of a first impression we can rightly say that we are faced with the complete solidarity of fraternal parties with the foreign political platform expounded in the report of the Central Committee made by Leonid Ilich Brezhnev. We can state with conviction that the route being laid down at present by the congress in foreign political affairs is a route common to all socialist states, a route of peace, a route strengthening international security and radically improving the international situation.

It is highly characteristic that outside the congress hall the mass media throughout the world and the press of fraternal socialist countries are at present carrying on a lively discussion of the concrete and broad initiatives put forward by Comrade Brezhnev at the 26th party congress. And it seems highly important to me that in the statements made by guests of the congress, their analysis of international events and assessment of the international reality in fact fully coincided with the theses in the report of the CPSU Central Committee. This was a sober and realistic view of the actual situation, a weighty assessment of the whole complexity and variety of present-day international situations. This realism and this weightiness are the preconditions for adopting the only correct and only accurate decisions which will lead us to the shores of peace.

What to my mind is particularly significant: In the statements of the guests one could hear a common note; a common tone, common to them and to the party Central Committee report, namely the continued affirmation of the ideas of proletarian internationalism.

All this enables us to say the friendship of the socialist countries, the friendship of the countries of socialism is being filled with a new material content. It is expressed in the close mutual political actions of the socialist states, undoubtedly the first precondition for attaining the foreign political aims which the countries of the socialist comity have set for themselves.

This friendship is realized in extensive mutual economic actions. It is highly characteristic that the statements made by the guests at the congress were imbued by their profound satisfaction with the internationalist assistance rendered by the USSR to the socialist countries and with the wide, mutually advantageous economic cooperation, on an equal footing, which is developing along so many different lines.

Finally the friendship of the socialist states is realized in the unity of their spiritual aspirations, in their common loyalty to the principles of Marxism-Leninism. In other words, on this, the second day of the congress' work we have the right to say that, as expected, the congress is evoking a very broad international response. And the fraternal countries of socialism are in complete solidarity with its ideas, its spirit and its enthusiasm.

SHCHERBITSKIY ON COMMUNIST UNITY AT OPENING SESSION

LD242335 Moscow in Italian to Italy 1730 GMT 24 Feb 81

[Text] Vladimir Shcherbitskiy, Ukrainian Communist Party Central Committee first secretary and CPSU Central Committee Politburo member, took part in the debate on the report on the CPSU Central Committee's activities.

He noted that in the past 5 years the Soviet Ukraine, like our entire country, made a great step forward in the development of production forces and improvement of all aspects of social life, promotion of culture and the level of people's life. Industrial production increased by almost one-third and, in spite of extremely unfavorable weather conditions, the total agricultural production in the republic increased by 11 percent. Generally speaking, the social program of the 10th 5-Year Plan has been brought to a conclusion.

As regards the activity of the CPSU Central Committee in foreign affairs, Vladimir Shcherbitskiy noted that during the period under examination the struggle for [word indistinct] peace had continued. The past years have shown with renewed force that the most important task facing our party is to prevent a world thermonuclear conflict and to guarantee normal conditions for the Soviet people's peaceful creative work, Vladimir Shcherbitskiy declared. This is well known and highly appreciated by our people, our friends and allies, all honest people who (?think) in realistic terms. This is also known, of course, to those who are spreading the most shameful lies and notorious myth about the Soviet military threat, to those who keep alive successive anti-Soviet and anticommunist campaigns. The Soviet people are alarmed and indignant about irresponsible attacks against our country by official Washington personalities who cynically state that there are more important things in the world than peace. Vladimir Shcherbitskiy noted that in view of the activity of most reactionary and militarist forces, in view of the serious threat to the cause of peace and security, there is a particularly increasing need for unity and a principled internationalist position of the fraternal socialist countries and the communist and workers parties. History clearly teaches that any attempt to disassociate oneself from the experience of real socialism and to put (?in question) the international character of Leninism inevitably leads to the loss of class orientation and, in the final analysis, cause enormous harm to the people of one's own country, to the world revolutionary process and to the cause of struggle for peace.

In the future too, Shcherbitskiy said in conclusion, we shall guard as the apple of our eye the indistructible friendship and sacrosanct unity of all peoples and nationalities of our country, as our invincible strength lies in this indistructible unity, communist ideals.